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COUNTRY SWEPT BY A COLD WAVE

Four Deaths Are Reported in City of Chicago.

THE ENTIRE MIDDLE WEST FEELS CHILL

Mercury Falls to Twenty Below in Northwest.

Indiana Reports the Coldest Weather Since 1905 When the Mercury Dropped to Sixteen Below—Only Two Degrees Above Zero in Boston—Intense Suffering Is Reported Throughout South.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—When shivering Chicago looked at its thermometer today the mercury showed six below zero and the police reported that four persons had frozen to death during the night.

The government weather forecaster offered scant consolation when he reported that the weather today would be "not quite so cold."

Despite the fact that no snow has accompanied the chilly blasts from Medicine Hat, the railroads all report great difficulty in keeping their schedules and trains today were reported from half an hour to eight hours late, especially those from the West.

The dead reported here are Henry Jolly, twelve, fell exhausted while looking for work and froze to death; unidentified, well dressed man, found frozen to death on a sidewalk; Jacob Kotz, slipped and fell on icy pavement, fracturing his skull, found almost frozen and dying; Charles A. Johnson fell in front of his house and was frozen when found.

Reports received today from all over the Middle West indicate still colder weather. Kansas City reported zero weather, while Norfolk, Nebraska, had eighteen below and Huron, South Dakota, twenty below. Throughout Iowa the temperatures ranged from six to fourteen below, while Missouri points drew about six below all around. Oklahoma and most of Kansas got milder weather, western Kansas reporting temperatures of only eight to ten above.

Many Records Set.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 30.—Records for cold weather were set in many places in Michigan for the last twenty-five or thirty years, today, when the thermometer dropped below zero for several hours. Locally, it was coldest at 9 last night when it was two below zero. At 10 this morning it was ten above. In Saginaw the thermometer registered nine below early today, and that section is experiencing the coldest weather of a generation. Traffic is impeded, and many wires have snapped.

Coldest Since 1905.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 30.—Indiana is now in the grasp of a cold wave which has broken all records since 1905. At 7 o'clock today, the mercury in the government thermometer registered eight degrees below zero, which is the lowest it has been since February, 1905, when the thermometer showed sixteen below. There are few reports of suffering among the poor, however.

In Chilly Boston.

Boston, Dec. 30.—Boston today suffered practically zero weather, the coldest of this winter. At 8 a. m. the thermometer stood only two above zero. In the poorer quarters of the city the suffering was intense.

Felt in Alabama.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 30.—The coldest weather ever experienced in Alabama in December, according to the official government weather forecaster, reached a climax today when the thermometer reached twelve degrees above zero at 7 a. m. Intense suffering is reported from all portions of the South.

Unconscious from Cold.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Alexander Clephane, motorman on a crowded street car, screamed in his vestibule as his car started down a grade and then fell unconscious from the cold early today. The conductor stopped the car and a panic was prevented.

The official temperature at 7 a. m. was three degrees below zero, the coldest of the winter. An extra force of physicians worked at the Cincinnati hospital, and thirty cases of frost bites were handled in a few hours.

Cold in Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 30.—The temperature this morning went to one above zero. The Ohio river, which is wider just above the falls than at any other part of its course, is frozen across, and if the cold continues, the ice will become heavy enough to permit teams to be driven from shore to shore as was the case in 1893. The price of coal is $4.50 a load with further advance threatened.

Pennsylvania Also.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 30.—Following the heavy snows of the past few days, zero weather prevails today throughout Pennsylvania. The coldest reported is from Cresson, where the mercury registered eleven below zero. Other points report from four to nine below. Many deaths from exposure are being reported. The railroads have not yet been able to get back to their regular schedules and trains were from thirty minutes to two hours late.

Mercury Goes Low.

Columbus, O., Dec. 30.—Reports from Ohio show that inland portions of the state are suffering most severely from the cold and snow. Inland county seats report temperatures from two to five degrees below zero. No fatalities have been reported thus far.

PROPOSES TAX ON MARRIAGES

Between Foreigners and Residents of New York.

ALL INHERITANCES BY FOREIGNERS

Should Also Pay Tax into State Treasury.

Justice James W. Gerard of the New York Supreme Court Believes That Fortune Hunters of the Old World Should Share with the State the Fortunes Which They Gain Here.

New York, Dec. 30.—Justice James W. Gerard, of the New York supreme court, believes that the state of New York should impose a tax on foreign marriages and on all fortunes that are inherited by aliens within the state. In an article in a New York monthly for January, he explains that only in this way can the state collect a "percentage of the nobleman's winnings," and he declares he will try to have a bill to carry out his plan introduced at the coming session of the state legislature. In his article he says:

"The little American heiresses, strolling arm in arm up the Rue De La Paix, peering into the shop windows and laughingly picking out the kind of crown they would like to have on their belongings, are becoming quite an economical problem. In recent years but a few female inheritors of swollen American fortunes have seen fit to marry in their own land. I claim that money should be spent where it was made and that if these girls choose to become absentee landlords and draw what now amounts to a great annual tribute from the United States to spend abroad on amiable Italians and high-priced Highlanders that they should pay a tax.

Becomes an Alien.

"A woman who marries an alien becomes by law an alien. An alien has no constitutional right to take or hold property here. The state may annex any condition it pleases to the inheriting of property by an alien. Formerly in this state an alien could only inherit land by coming here to reside and filing a declaration of intention to become a citizen. So there is nothing new, nothing unconstitutional in the law I propose. I propose where an alien inherits property by will or descent from a resident of any state there shall be imposed a state transfer tax as follows:

"Where the amount inherited is over $100,000 and less than $500,000, ten per cent; over $500,000 and less than $1,000,000, fifteen per cent.; over $1,000,000 and less than $2,000,000, twenty per cent; where the amount is over $2,000,000, twenty-five per cent. The same tax will also apply to transfers of property made to aliens by living residents of the state, under pain of fine and imprisonment to the resident if the tax be not paid."

MILK TRUST PROBE BEGUN

Government Opens Battle in the Windy City,

WHERE PRICE IS RECENTLY RAISED

In the Face of Enormous Profits by Companies

The Big Concerns Raise the Price of Milk to Customers and Uncle Sam Is of the Opinion That the Raise Is a Result of a Violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Legislation and Interstate Commerce Law.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Subpoenas were issued today for many local wholesale and retail milk dealers and large consumers and the government investigation of the alleged Chicago milk trust began. Before it is ended it is expected that the federal grand jury will be asked to return indictments against several big milk dealers charging violation of the anti-trust laws. An effort will also be made to indict several railroads on charge of violating the interstate commerce law by granting secret rates to milk dealers.

United States District Attorney Sims refused absolutely to discuss the matter today.

An advance in the retail price of milk from seven to eight cents a quart announced recently by the big milk concerns and an almost simultaneous advance to the same figures by other concerns said to be affiliated with them prompted the investigation. The inquiry will be carried on along lines similar to those followed in New York during the present investigation there.

Clearly-Defined Combine.

The government will endeavor to prove that milk companies, large and small, are in a clearly-defined combine in defiance of the Sherman law and that they operate a local "clearing-house" where prices are fixed, supplies regulated and the market controlled absolutely.

Many of the concerns in the alleged combine have their dairies in Wisconsin or Indiana and carry on an interstate business. The government is said to be seeking proof that the "big fellows" in the milk trade are favored with special rates from the railroads which make it impossible for outside concerns to compete with them.

It is expected that a special examiner will be appointed today or tomorrow to examine the books of the milk companies and report on their earnings.

Advance in Face of Profits.

It is alleged that the recent advance in the price of milk was made in the face of enormous profits already being made by members of the alleged trust.

One of the companies investigated in New York is the Borden Condensed Milk company, which is said to be the same as the company now operating in Chicago. The Borden company took the initiative in the recent advance in prices here. It supplies about eighteen per cent. of Chicago's milk. The small dealers immediately fell in line behind the Borden company and raised prices.

Chicago's milk supply is about 260,000 gallons daily, so that the addition of one cent to the price meant an increase in the daily profits of the milk dealers of from $10,000 to $12,000.

DUNLAP MAKES ANNUAL REPORT

Wants Pure Food Standards Established for Ohio.

Columbus, O., Dec. 30.—Establishment of food standards for the various food products produced, manufactured or sold in this state is recommended by State Dairy and Food Commissioner Renick W. Dunlap in his annual report, filed with Governor Harmon. Ohio now has statutory standards for some natural products, such as maple syrup, vinegar and milk, but there are a vast number of products for which no standard exists. He also recommends making it the duty of the commissioner to enforce the law against giving short weights and measures as this fraud is daily practiced by some dispensers of foods.

There is great need of inspection among the lower grade of hotels and restaurants. The commissioner urges the strengthening of the sanitary inspection law, which has been found to be weak, by having it state clearly what sanitary conditions are required.

One of the most important duties devolving upon this department is the enforcement of the Cain law, requiring inspection to ascertain cases of persons making sales of intoxicating liquors without [illegible] the annual liquor tax of $1,[illegible]

There's a difference between dignity and pomposity, but some people don't seem to be able to realize it.

TECHNICALITY MORSE'S HOPE

Convicted Banker Denied New Trial by Judge Hough.

MORSE CAN NOT DEMAND DRY JURY

His Attorney Will Make Motion for Writ of Error.

If He Is Unsuccessful, the Dawn of the New Year Will Find the Former Wizard of Finance Wearing Stripes in the Prison at Atlanta Under His Sentence of Fifteen Years.

New York, Dec. 30.—Banker Charles W. Morse and his fifteen-year sentence in the federal prison at Atlanta are separated by the narrow margin of a legal technicality. Judge Hough in the United States circuit court denied his motion for a new trial, but close upon the heels of the decision Martin W. Littleton, his counsel, announced that one more stand would be taken. Today he will move in the circuit court for a writ of error on Judge Hough's decision. If this is denied Morse will begin the new year serving his sentence for violation of national banking laws, the supreme court of the United States having previously refused to interfere in the case.

Mr. Littleton's recent application for a new trial for Morse was made on the ground that the jury was improperly guarded and that some of the jurors drank to excess during the trial. With respect to this charge the court holds that the fact that the jurymen were in the custody of secret service men instead of regular deputy marshals was well known to both counsel and jurors when the trial began.

Discusses Drinking Charges.

As to the drinking charges Judge Hough says: "Legislation must advance a good deal before a prisoner may claim to be entitled to a jury of teetotalers, in New York at all events."

Judge Hough points out that it was by direction of the court that the jurors be permitted to lead their usual lives and that the affidavits submitted by Morse's counsel showed merely that during the entire trial only 20 bottles of liquor and some individual drinks had been consumed by the jury.

"And it is not pretended that anyone was at all intoxicated," adds the

Seek to Steal Preacher's Daughter.

Franklin, Pa., Dec. 30.—Rev. Dr. A. Lincoln Moore, pastor of the fashionable First Baptist church, announces that an unsuccessful attempt was made to kidnap his 10-year-old daughter, Madeline. Prompt action on the part of the girl's mother and police prevented the carrying into execution of the plot.

BILLS AGAINST TWO COAL MEN

For Practicing Fraud Against the City of Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—State's Attorney Wayman's grand jury crusade against alleged grafting in the sale of coal to the city, bore its first fruit Wednesday when true bills were returned against two officials of coal concerns charging common larceny and obtaining money under false pretenses. The two men are James P. Connery, secretary and treasurer of the Chicago Fire Appliance company, and M. H. Rogers, president of the M. H. Rogers Coal company.

They are charged with taking money from the city for a certain grade of coal and delivering fuel much inferior in quality. The penalty for this offense is a fine of $2,000 and a penitentiary sentence of two years.

GOTHAMITES TO GET CHEAP GAS

Monster Pipe Line Projected by the Standard.

WAYSIDE CITIES TO GET BENEFIT

Will Pipe Natural Gas from West Virginia Field.

To Carry It Across the Allegheny Mountains It Is Estimated That It Will Cost $15,000,000—When the Supply Is Exhausted the Line Will Be Used To Carry Crude Oil to Seaboard.

Pittsburg, Dec. 30.—Greater New York is promised natural gas at 50 cents a thousand feet when the Standard Oil company completes its projected pipe line from the West Virginia and western Pennsylvania fields to the metropolis. The People's Gas company, of this city, the Standard's principal gas company, is to have charge of the work.

The Standard figures on spending $15,000,000 in piping gas over the mountains and to New York. About 140 miles of the distance from Pittsburg, including a path for a pipe line over the Allegheny mountains, has been staked out, and in most of the towns along the way arrangements have been made for franchises supplying gas to towns en route, etc.

The Hope and Reserve natural gas companies of the Standard, which are the main field companies, will produce most of the gas used in the big mains to New York. Their holdings are in West Virginia and western Pennsylvania, and they have more gas at the present time than can be utilized.

That the Standard believes that in a few decades the natural gas at the western slope of the Allegheny mountains may give out, is shown by the great care that is being exercised in getting rights of way and making other arrangements for what will be the biggest gas highway in the world. The line is to be so constructed that at any time, at a trifling cost, it can be turned into an oil-carrying line, for it is figured that many more decades will elapse before the oil will give out, and another oil-carrying line to the sea is one of the future arrangements of the Standard. It was estimated in Pittsburg that the cost of the 20-inch pipe alone for the big line would be $11,800 per mile. More than 260,000 tons of pipe will be required in the project.

Fears Rival Poisoned Daughter.

Los Angeles, Dec. 30.—Believing that her 16-year-old daughter, Bessie May Priest, was poisoned, Mrs. Jennie Priest has asked the district attorney to investigate the death of the young woman. It is alleged by the mother that Miss Priest was engaged to Harry Sayre, a Newark (N. J.) millionaire's son, and that she had a rival. Search is being made for the other woman.

SHERRY TO BE IN CHARGE OF HOME

Of Alexander McDonald During Morgan's Visit.

GUESTS SAVED BY AN ELEVATOR BOY

Portsmouth Judge Is Injured in a Coasting Accident.

Dick Is Pleased with His Tariff Record—Steubenville Murderer Gets a Life Sentence—Ironton Man Meets Death in a Cemetery—Columbus Centennial Commission Is Organized.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 30.—Louis Sherry, "the man from Sherry's," will have charge of Oalvey, the home of Alexander McDonald, when J. P. Morgan comes to live in it for a week during the convention of the Episcopal church next October. Sherry was in Cincinnati, and after an inspection of Oalvey declared it to be among the most splendidly appointed homes he ever saw. Sherry will bring with him his chef, a corps of cooks and a supply of foodstuffs indigenous to the hotels of New York.

Guests Saved by Elevator Boy.

Columbus, O., Dec. 30.—Russell Deremer, 18, elevator boy at the Davidson hotel, proved himself a hero when he stuck to his post and carried 50 guests from the six floors of the building to safety through a blinding and suffocating smoke. Fire in an adjoining restaurant filled the hotel with smoke, creating a panic. Firemen also rescued guests from the upper floors. The fire was confined to the restaurant, which was gutted.

Injured in Coasting Smash.

Portsmouth, O., Dec. 30.—Judge A. Z. Blair of the local common pleas bench, when entertaining a party of friends with a coasting party at his Rose Ridge home, collided with a small tree and sustained a deep cut in the forehead. His eye-glasses were broken and imbedded in his head. Judge Blair was rendered unconscious for a time, but afterward revived.

Record Pleases Dick.

Akron, O., Dec. 30.—Senator Dick announced that, if the tariff should be made an issue in his campaign for election to the senate, he is prepared to uphold his record and show that the Payne law, which he supported, is not the cause of rising prices for commodities.

Murderer Gets Life Sentence.

Steubenville, O., Dec. 30.—Melo Osman, a Servian, who was convicted of the killing of his wife's paramour, has been sentenced to life imprisonment. The date for the execution of John Kirkpatrick, a negro, who killed C. H. Steele, has been fixed for Feb. 5.

Meets Death in Cemetery.

Ironton, O., Dec. 30.—George Colvin, 23, was instantly killed in Woodland cemetery while assisting in moving a 15-ton monument base. An iron bar on the windlass flew loose and struck him on the back of the neck, dislocating it.

Centennial Commission Organizes.

Columbus, O., Dec. 30.—At the first meeting of the commission which will perfect plans for the Columbus centennial, General R. B. Brown of Zanesville was elected permanent chairman and Lee M. Boda of this city permanent secretary.

Xenia Man Ends Life.

Xenia, O., Dec. 30.—Henry Bankard, 65, former superintendent of the Green county infirmary and recently elected township trustee, committed suicide. He was despondent on account of ill health.

THE OPERATORS READY TO QUIT

Wage Ultimatum Issued to Big Four Officials.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 30.—The committee of seven submitted to the Big Four a wage and union recognition ultimatum of the telegraphers of all the divisions of the roads, rejection of which may cause a great strike. The operators on the seven divisions of the road have already voted overwhelmingly in favor of striking in case their demands are refused. The Big Four is believed by the operators to be preparing to install a complete telephone system on all divisions. One division has already been so equipped.

Closed by Ice.

Gallipolis, O., Dec. 30.—The Great Kanawha river is gorged and closed by ice at its mouth this morning.

BARON AND BARONESS UCHIDA OF JAPAN AND DAUGHTERS OF THE CHINESE MINISTER

China and Japan are represented this winter by the most brilliant diplomatic and social retinues that those governments have ever sent to this country. Baron Yusaga Uchida, the new Japanese minister, and the baroness are known the world over in diplomatic circles for their charming personalities. Both have visited all the courts of the old world, and Washington looks forward to their receptions with keen pleasure. They have as guests some five or six wealthy young women of Japan, and the baron's military staff is made up of several men prominent in army and social circles in his country. The retinue of Minister Chang Yin Tang, the Chinese representative, is by far the largest representation China has ever sent to the American capital. Besides the diplomatic staff, there is a large force of secretaries, and Dr. Chang has with him, besides his wife, his two daughters, who are both beautiful young women. They were educated in Europe. Miss Isabelle will make her debut early in January. The Chinese embassy now occupies its new building, one of the most commodious of its kind here.

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	20.00	6.66	13.34
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	6.00	2.00	4.00
	5.00	1.66	3.34
	3.00	1.00	2.00

	Marked Price	Less 20%	Pay Only
Men's Trousers	$6.00	$1.20	$4.80
	5.00	1.00	4.00
All the Newest Novelties Made	4.00	.80	3.20
	3.00	.60	2.40
	2.00	.40	1.60

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Suits,
Coats.

Blankets,
Comforts,
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Dress Goods,
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Blankets 10% Less.

"BEACON" Blankets, every pair fresh and clean. Considered by most people to be superior to wool. They will be much higher.

Dress Goods at Half.

HEAVY Wool Suitings in Blacks, Mixtures and plain shades, suitable for suits, coats, separate skirts and children's wear. The west window is being filled this morning with Dress Goods. Bargains at HALF PRICE AND LESS.

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The Warner & Edwards Co.

PLEASANT GATHERING AT HANE RESIDENCE

Mrs. John J. Hane and Mrs. O. S. Rapp Hostesses.

YOUNG PEOPLE DRIVE INTO THE COUNTRY

A Merry Evening Passed at Home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Behner—Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Rayl Give Dinner for Miss Rayl and Mr. George Morris—Society Items.

Handsome in its appointments was the afternoon tea given by Mrs. John J. Hane and Mrs. O. S. Rapp at the former's home, on east Center street, Tuesday.

Huge bunches of American Beauty roses graced the parlors where the guests were received by Mrs. Hane, Mrs Sullivan, Mrs. Charles E. Bell, Mrs John Spargur, Mrs. Lyman Beecher and Miss Cummings.

Assisting throughout the parlors and in the dining-room were Mrs. F S. Keller, Mrs. George B Christian Jr, Mrs Daniel Evans, Mrs. T R. Allen, Mrs M. J Sullivan, Mrs H. B Hane and Mrs J. F Dombaugh.

In the dining-room masses of poinsetta were used to effect The mantel was banked with the red beauties, and they were placed with careless grace on the table. Over 100 guests called during the afternoon. The guests from out of the city were Mrs. Charles E Bell, Mrs John Spargur, Mrs. Lyman Beecher and Miss Cummings, of Hillsboro; Mrs C C. Yerkes, of Northville, Michigan Miss Lena Hepp, of Bloomville, Indiana, Miss Jeanette Eaton, of Columbus, Miss Hazel Sogg, of Watertown, Connecticut, and Miss Shields, of Dennison.

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A delightful social event was the ball at Huber hall, Wednesday evening, given by Mrs. John J. Hane, Mr. and Mrs Orlando S. Rapp and the Misses Hane in honor of their house guests, Mrs. Charles E. Bell, Mrs John Spargur, Mrs. Lyman Beecher and Miss Cummings, of Hillsboro, and Mr. and Mrs. William Brown, of Columbus

The ball-room was handsomely and elaborately decorated with southern ivy and American beauty roses Dowler's orchestra of seven pieces was almost concealed behind a bank of the ivy and rendered music for the dancers.

A punch bowl, with its cooling draught, was located in one corner of the hall

During intermission luncheon was dispensed.

About 100 guests were present Besides the honor guests from out of the city there were Mrs C C. Yerkes, of Northville, Michigan; Miss Hazel Sogg, of Watertown, Connecticut; Miss Lena Hepp, of Bloomville, Indiana; Miss Jeanette Eaton, of Columbus, and Miss Mary Story, of Chillicothe

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Eight couples from Marion enjoyed a bob-sled ride to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Behner, six miles south of town, Tuesday evening. where they made merry with games and where a bounteous Dutch lunch was served.

The young people who accepted Mr. and Mrs Behner's hospitality were Miss Elizabeth Hopkins, Miss Edna Court, Miss Hazel Wottring, Miss Gertrude Reed, Miss Elsie Ballentine, Miss Stella Beicher, Mr. George Kling, Mr. Chester Lewis, Mr. Kark Filiatrault, Mr Benjamin Grills, Mr. Clarence Sanders and Mr Roy Sechrist

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Miss Grace Kelly organized a delightful sleigh-ride to Green Camp, Tuesday evening Upon the arrival of the young people in the town they proceeded to the hotel, where a hot supper, which had been ordered in advance, awaited them

Those who enjoyed the ride were Miss Kelly, Miss Nona Kelly, Miss Mayme Kelly, Miss Marguerite Kelly, Miss Katherine Kirchner, Miss Marguerite Kirchner, Miss Evelyn Dee, Miss Cecelia Burns, Miss Emma O'Brien, Miss Zauna Fahey, Miss Stella Fahey, Miss Leona Garley, Mr. Joseph Grundy, Mr Clement Kelly, Mr. Timothy Fahey, Mr Richard Fahey, Mr. Lawrence Hess, Mr Carl Werley, Mr. Edward Melloy and Mr. Patrick Monahan. Mrs William Snyder chaperoned the young people

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Mr. and Mrs J S Rayl entertained at a charming dinner of twenty covers, at their home on Pearl street, Tuesday evening for their daughter, Miss Zona Rayl, of Spokane, Washington, and Mr. George Morris, of Barberton The dining-room was festooned with holly and Christmas bells, while the table was made attractive with green and Chinese lilies

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A jolly crowd of young people assembled at the Masonic temple, Tuesday evening, where they awaited a big sleigh which took them to the home of Mr and Mrs William Augenstine, seven miles southeast of the city, where they were served an oyster supper

The ride was given in celebration of the birthday anniversary of Mr Walter Augenstine, who received a number of handsome presents as mementoes of the occasion.

Those in attendance were Misses Grace Ruff, Mary Bland, Bertha Augenstine, Faye Gompf, Edith Mayer, Messrs. James Flaherty, Lowell Ross, Morris Crissinger, Wallace Crissinger and Arthur Augenstine

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The M. E. club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Brashares, of Monroe street, Tuesday evening, with all the members in attendance. Progressive pedro was the feature of entertainment and the honor awards went to Mrs. C. Andrews and Mr. W. Fausnaugh.

A lunch was served, after which music and dancing were enjoyed until a late hour.

Guests of the club were Mrs. Herndon, of Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Chenot and Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Brashares.

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Mr. George B. Christian's birthday anniversary was the inspiration for a surprise planned by Mrs. Christian for the day after the anniversary in order that her husband might not suspect anything out of the ordinary to happen. But it did, and Mr. Christian was so astonished, Tuesday evening, by the appearance of fifteen old friends and comrades that he was speechless. The evening was most delightfully spent with reminiscences, music and a bounteous supper. After the supper, Mr. Christian was presented a gold-headed cane by his comrades. Mr. Hamilton Ash made an appropriate presentation speech to which their host responded with words of thanks.

Little impromptu speeches were given by nearly all present, which caused much enjoyment and hearty laughter.

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Miss Lydia Knapp, at her home on Mt. Vernon avenue, graciously entertained the girls of the Delta Theta sorority and their gentlemen friends with a chafing-dish party, Tuesday evening The evening was spent with cards and general sociability

Those present were Miss Edith Chase, Miss Winona Sweney, Miss Rhea Munnell, Miss Florence Bland Mr. John Krause, Mr. John Sells Mr Ernest Watson, Mr Anson Pickerel and Mr. Emerson Ross.

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An original and entertaining party was given by Misses Carmen and Ermel Blow at their home, on west Columbia street, Wednesday evening

The house was decorated in masses of cotton to represent snow and a pole, covered with cotton and dots of tinsel in imitation of frost, was placed at one end of the parlor. The party was divided into two factions, Peary's party and Cook's party Each side was given rings which were thrown toward the pole with the hope of getting over it The side getting the most rings on the pole was the winner and was given a prize. Miniature imitations of animals Cook and Peary saw in their travels were hidden all over the house and the one finding the most was rewarded. In this contest Miss Lucille Mills won the honor while Miss Gladys Bailey received the consolation prize. A lunch, suggestive of a far North menu, was served.

The guests were Misses Addie Reidenbaugh, Lucille Mills, Florence Ramer, Gladys Bailey, Anna Long, Charlane Phelps, Wilda Boyer, Ina Klinefetler, Lucile Sifritt, Bessie Dowler, Muriel Fredland, Leona McGuire, Etta Mae Hostetler, Messrs Walter Larcomb and Foster Brown, of Upper Sandusky; Cecil Alexander, Harmon Crock, Samuel Fetter, Wilfred Davis, Maynard Howell, Maurice Parks and Harry Bishop.

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The B. O. F. club held a business meeting at the home of Miss Ruth McKinniss, of east Center street, Tuesday evening, for the purpose of completing arrangements for a New Year's party for the entertainment of a number of visitors.

A social hour followed the business session.

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Mrs. Harry Ohls, at her home on Girard avenue, entertained the Cucire and the O. M. H. clubs in a pleasing manner, Wednesday afternoon. The house was artistically decorated with Christmas green and red bells that gave an air of festivity to the scene. Needlework and a contest were the principle diversions. In the contest Mrs. H. B. Hardpence received the prize, a hand-painted calendar.

A three-course luncheon was presided over by the hostess.

Guests of the two clubs were Miss Ethel Kibler, of Prospect, and Mrs E. J. Ohls

The Cucire club will hold its next meeting in two weeks at the residence of Mrs. Charles E Curtis of Sharpless court, while the women of the O. M. H. club will gather at the home of Mrs. Frank Weidemann, of Franklin street, two weeks from Wednesday.

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The N. Y. B. club was charmingly entertained by Mrs Elias Firstenberger, of Girard avenue, Wednesday afternoon, with nearly all the members in attendance.

The time was spent with the usual embroidery work, followed by luncheon. The table was handsomely spread and cards in Dutch design were used to mark the places.

The club will meet in two weeks with Mrs Orville F. Barnhart, of Pearl street.

Two guests were present, Mrs Frank Losh, of Chicago, and Mrs. W P Houston

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In celebration of his wife's birthday anniversary, Mr. George Mather, of Sugar street, planned a surprise party for her which was carried out, Wednesday evening, at their home A number of friends appeared to spend the evening.

Progressive euchre made the hours pass pleasantly and an oyster supper was served. The table was handsomely decorated with a large bowl of red carnations placed in the center while green was placed upon the cloth Place favors were red carnations Eighteen guests assembled around the board.

Mrs Mather was the recipient of many useful and pretty presents.

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Miss Florence Bland was hostess for the Delta Theta sorority and a number of invited guests at her home, on east Center street, Wednesday, evening

Seven-up was the game chosen for entertainment and the contests were very interesting

Those enjoying the pleasures of the evening were Miss Ida Howard, of Galion; Miss Rhea Munnell, Miss Edith Chase, Miss Winona Sweney, Miss Lydia Knapp, Mr Anson Pickerel, Mr John Krause, Mr. Frank Knapp, Mr Wallace Knapp, Mr. Ernest Watson and Mr Emerson Ross.

The sorority will be entertained in two weeks by Mrs Homor Waddell, of south High street

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Mr and Mrs. C A. Curtis gave a prettily appointed six-o'clock dinner at their home, on Girard avenue, Wednesday evening, in honor of their guests, Mr. and Mrs. L. Arens, of Terre Haute, Indiana The color scheme of pink and green was handsomely carried out, pink carnations banked the center of the table and served as plate favors After dinner, the hours were charmingly informal and social

Those in assemblage were Mr. and Mrs. Arens, Mr and Mrs. Anderson, of Blairville, Pennsylvania; Mr. and Mrs J. Altman, Mrs Sarah Allen and Miss Stella Allen

Mrs. Arnold Stricken.

Mrs. Charles H. Arnold, of Chase street, lies in a serious condition at Bellefontaine as a result of being stricken by paralysis, last Sunday. She was on her way to Huntsville when stricken. Mrs. Arnold is about thirty years old.

Letters Sent Out.

County Auditor Charles L Allen has sent out letters to the various township assessors requesting them to meet at his office, Tuesday, January 4, to discuss their work. The auditor may also give them instructions at that time, also.

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THE FUTURE OF HOUSE OF LORDS

Is Mapped Out by the English Liberal Leaders.

UPPER HOUSE IS TO Be REDUCED IN SIZE

Its Powers Will Be Very Greatly Reduced.

The Veto Power Will Be Taken Away from It—Some of Its Members Will Sit for Life Only, Their Seats Not Falling to Their Eldest Sons—Others Will Be Named for Two Terms Only.

London, Dec. 28.—[By Charles P. Stewart, European Manager of the United Press.]—The English Liberal party leaders have finally pretty definitely made up their minds what to do with the house of lords in case they win at the coming national election.

Whatever plan may be adopted for genuinely popularizing England's government will involve such radical changes in the country's present legislature system that much difference of opinion has naturally existed both as to ends and methods. The extreme radicals have advocated the complete abolition of the second chamber. Those of a more moderate type demanded an elective upper house. The element which may be most accurately described as conservatively liberal, has argued for a combination of the elective and hereditary principles.

The group in favor of the single-chamber system has been completely overruled. England is too conservative for such an innovation. Between the other two groups of Liberals, a compromise has been effected, and the program is this:

The Program.

Assuming that the Liberals win at the polls in January, the Lloyd-George budget will be reintroduced. It will unquestionably pass. The lords themselves are pledged to cease their opposition to the chancellor of the exchequer's proposals if the country declares for them in the election.

That will dispose of the financial problem and leave the Liberals free to turn their attention to the reformation of the legislative system.

They propose to accomplish it by the constitutional change at which Premier Asquith has been hinting. A bill will be passed by the commons declaring the lords unentitled to interfere with any financial legislation passed by the lower chamber. It may be decided not even to send ship bills to the lords for ratification, but even if ratification is required it will be merely nominal, as the latter will have no veto power.

The next step will be the introduction of a measure providing that any bill, not a financial measure, passed by the commons, rejected by the lords, repassed by the commons, again rejected by the lords and then repassed by the commons, after an intervening election, is to become law without further submission to the upper house

May Delay Only.

This will mean that two sessions of parliament and a referendum will be required for the passing of such a controverted measure It will deprive the lords of the power to do more than delay fulfillment of the popular will. The last vestige of their veto power will then be gone

Then will come the very last step. The house of lords will be reduced by legislation to a membership of probably 150. This number will include the office-holders whose positions carry peerages with them. It is assumed that men who have risen to high positions in the government may be taken to be competent legislators The balance of the 150 will be chosen from among the present peers whom the commons consider really to have done something for their country as soldiers, lawmakers or administrators. The original selection will necessarily be somewhat arbitrary, but it will not be permanent.

The members who are peers by virtue of their government offices, have always been what is known in England as life lords. Their titles do not descend to their children This same system will be continued under the new arrangement. The innovation will lie in the fact that the other peers will also only be life lords. Their titles will descend to their sons, but not their privilege to sit in the upper branch.

House to Choose Members.

As these peers die, their places will be filled by new members, not necessarily titled, chosen by the house of commons, either from among its own membership or outside of it. The present plan is that these members shall serve for two sessions of parliament. The commons will make their selections politically in proportion to the political color of their own membership.

The ultimate result will be that the house of lords will include a small proportion of life members, the balance consisting of two session members of the commons' selection. The life peers will be nominally appointed by the king, but, inasmuch as these appointments are always made in accordance with the wishes of the leaders of the party in power at the time, they will necessarily represent the majority of the people.

It is conceded that under this arrangement it will be possible to have upper and lower houses in different political complexions. With changes constantly taking place in both branches, it is argued that this condition will not often obtain, certainly not more often than the same situation arises in the United States.

May Block Program.

The Liberals agree that the present Conservative house of lords may attempt to block this program at almost any stage by refusal to acquiesce in the bills necessary to carry it out. Should this happen, the Liberal majority in the house of commons will solve the difficulty by calling on the king to create enough Liberal peers to give them a majority in the upper as well as in the lower house. The king never refuses his premier's requests for the creation of peers and an attempt to do so in such a case as the one contemplated would render his own dethronement so certain as to place the contingency altogether outside the bounds of probability.

A threat of the kind was made against the lords by Premier Lord Gray when they attempted to tie up the famous English election reform bill in 1832. The threat alone proved sufficient, the lords yielding rather than be swamped by an overwhelming number of mushroom members of their own order.

The Liberals think history will repeat itself in the present case. Titles will doubtless continue to be conferred even after the reformation of the house of lords, but they will be mere

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HUMAN LIFE IS PRICE OF DRINK

Long Series of Crimes by Leon Thabuis,

KEEPER OF THE WARD FOR FEEBLE-MINDED

In an Insane Asylum in French Republic.

Every Time Thabuis Desires a Drink of Absinthe, He Kills an Inmate and Buys His Tipple with the Twenty-Cent Bonus Allowed Him for Extra Work Involved in Death of Inmate.

Paris, Dec. 28.—Whenever Leon Thabuis, keeper of the feeble-minded ward in an insane asylum, wanted a drink of absinthe, his favorite tipple, he killed one of the inmates entrusted to his charge, according to the police theory, and with the twenty-cent bonus allowed him for the extra work involved in the death of an inmate, kept himself supplied with absinthe.

Thabuis is today facing trial for what is believed to be the most gruesome series of crimes ever committed in France An investigation into his record as keeper of the ward in which idiots and feeble-minded persons were confined, followed the death of an old inmate. It was found that the man had been strangled. Thabuis said he killed the man in self-defense after being attacked by him Thabuis' records showed a death every other day for the preceding fortnight. When the bodies of the inmates were exhumed, it was found that every one had been strangled Other exhumations showed dozens of similar cases.

Everything pointed unmistakably to the keeper's guilt. In every case the authorities now say, Thabuis took the franc bonus and spent it for absinthe, an overindulgence in which is believed to have made him a criminal pervert.

TRAINMEN LOSE LIVES IN WRECK

Five Men Are Killed and Two Are Fatally Hurt.

TWO FREIGHT TRAINS MEET ON SHARP CURVE

Terrible Accident, Monday, on B. & O. Southwestern.

The Trains Crash Near Starksville. Trainmen Are Buried in the Debris—High Embankment Prevents the Men from Jumping to Safety—Suffering of Injured Is Increased by the Severe Cold.

Seymour, Ind, Dec. 28.—Five trainmen were killed and two were fatally injured Monday when two freight trains on the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern collided on a sharp curve near Starksville. One of the trains was a double-header All three locomotives were demolished, and the trainmen were buried in the debris.

List of the Dead.

Lawrence Amick, engineer.

Jacob Emly, fireman

Finley Lee, brakeman.

Frank Hattabauch, head brakeman, all of Seymour.

J. L. Rouett, fireman, Washington, Indiana

R. J. Conley and Frank M. Walls, both engineers, living at Seymour, are believed to be fatally injured. Fireman Henthorn, of Seymour, was slightly hurt about the head.

Story of Accident.

Freight train known as No. 98, is a fast westbound freight The enginemen were not aware of danger until the first engine of freight No 51, a double-header, rounded the curve The high embankment on either side of the track prevented the trainmen from jumping to safety.

The more fortunate trainmen, after lending all possible assistance, hurried to Fort Ritner, a few miles away, and summoned help. A relief train from Washington hurried to the scene.

The suffering of the injured was greatly increased because of the cold

TRIES TO CREMATE FOUR CHILDREN

Hurls Dog and Many Chickens into Blazing Outhouse.

Cincinnati, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Mary Lipp, thirty-eight, despondent because of a recent illness, this morning attempted to burn to death four of her eight children. The lives of the tots were saved by neighbors Mrs. Lipp suddenly became crazed She set fire to an outhouse and hurled into the blaze a dog and many chickens

Next the woman seized two children and, as they fought, attempted to cast them into the fire. She felled the first rescuer with a chair, but was overpowered by police and arrested, charged with lunacy.

The woman lives on McMicken avenue, a crowded tenement district, and her act created a panic.

BULLET WOUND IN HEART OF WOMAN

Dedy Body of Callie Wilson Found at Home.

Portsmouth, O, Dec 28.—The body of Callie Wilson, eighteen, daughter of John Wilson, prominent farmer, was found on the floor of their home at Powellsville, Monday, with a bullet wound in the heart A rifle lay nearby The discovery was made by the parents, who a few minutes before had left her engaged in household duties Coroner Robe has not yet rendered a verdict.

During the first six months of his married life a man pities old bachelors. After that he envies them.

SEVEN BODIES ARE RECOVERED

From the Ruins of Home of Steve Bronosky.

ALL OF THEM ARE THOSE OF CHILDREN

Ranging in Age from Two to Twelve Years.

The Fire, Which Is Caused by an Overheated Stove, Explodes a Keg of Powder and Cuts Off All Chance of Rescue—Elder Members of Family Are Badly Burned, but Escape by Jumping.

Dubois, Pa, Dec. 28.—The bodies of seven children were recovered today from the ruins of the home of Steve Bronosky, near here, which was destroyed by fire last night. The children ranged in age from two to twelve years

The fire, which was caused by an overheated stove, exploded a keg of powder and cut off all chance of rescue. Six of the children belonged to the Bronosky family and one was the daughter of a boarder.

The elder members of the household were badly burned, but escaped by jumping from up-stairs windows.

Mayor Lays Cornerstone.

New York, Dec 28. Without any formalities Mayor McClellan laid the cornerstone of the new $6,000,000 municipal building, that is to extend from Park Row to Center street and from Tryon Row to Duane street, covering Chambers street by an [illegible]

THREE NEW ENVOYS NAMED BY PRESIDENT AND ONE WHO WILL PROBABLY HOLD OVER

Washington, Dec. 22.—When President Taft sent to the senate his list of nominations for diplomatic service there was considerable surprise that he named no one to succeed Whitelaw [illegible] as ambassador to Great Britain In semiofficial circles it is asserted that Mr. Reid will be re[illegible] president's nominations are as follows Robert Bacon to be ambassador to France, succeeding [illegible] who retires; R. C. Kerens, of St Louis, to be ambassador to Austria-Hungary, succeeding Charles [illegible]s, of Troy, New York, who retires; Henry Lane Wilson, of Washington, now minister to Belgium, to be ambassador to Mexico, succeeding David E Thompson, of Nebraska, who retires; William J Calhoun, of Chicago, to be minister to China, the post being now vacant; Charles Page Bryan, of Chicago, now minister to Portugal, to be minister to Belgium, succeeding Mr. Wilson, John B. Jackson, of Newark, New Jersey, now minister to Persia, to be minister to Cuba, succeeding Edwin V. Morgan of New York, who retires. The choice of Mr. Kerens to be ambassador to Vienna ends a long fight in which various influences have changed position a number of times. Senator Warner, the Republican member from Missouri in the senate, has been supporting the nomination, which recalls the fact that Kerens was a vigorous candidate for the senatorship when Warner was elected

AGED COUPLE IS MURDERED

Bodies Found When Young People Return from Visit.

Washington, Ind Dec. 28.—The entire community is aroused over the finding of the bodies of Rev. William Ritter and his aged wife, who had been murdered in their home, about a half mile east of Elnora. The wife's body was found lying full length upon the floor of the sitting room of their country home, her head toward the fireplace and her hair disheveled. She was in her bare feet and had probably made ready to retire when the crime was committed. There are no marks upon her body to indicate how she came to her death, but many believe she was choked to death.

The body of the aged minister was found in the cellar, at the foot of the stairway. He was lying in a heap, as if he had been thrown down stairs. Both bodies were stiff.

They were last seen alive last Friday, when Milford Ketchum and wife, a young couple who had made their home with the Ritters and took care of the old couple, left the house to go to Burns City to spend Christmas with Mr. Ketchum's parents. The old couple was then in good health Ketchum and his wife returned from Burns City and found the bodies

AMPUTATION OF BOTH HIS LEGS

Is the Price He Must Pay for His Religious Zeal.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—The amputation of both of his legs is the price to be paid today by Rev. W. F. Bostick, of Yorkville, Illinois, for his religious zeal.

The minister lies in a hospital at Yorkville with both feet frozen as the result of a twelve-mile tramp through a blizzard Sunday night, which he undertook in order to fulfill a promise to be hand for services in the little Baptist church at Yorkville.

Rev. Mr. Bostick started to walk to Yorkville when his train became stalled in a snow drift twelve miles away When four or five miles from the town, he sought shelter at the house of a farmer, but the latter, mistaking the minister for a tramp, turned him away.

The preacher trudged on through the snow until both legs were frozen and began to swell. He removed his shoes and could not get them back on and for the last three miles of his journey he left a trail of bloody footprints in the snow drifts.

FERRY CAUGHT IN ICE GORGE

Panic Seizes Women and Children Aboard.

IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE BOAT TO LAND

Sixty Passengers Taken Off in Small Boats.

The Small Boats Can Not Reach the Side of the Ferry and It Is Necessary To Carry the Thirty-Five Women and Children Passengers Over the Jammed Cakes of Ice to Open Water.

Bellaire, O., Dec 28.—Sixty passengers were rescued from the foundering ferryboat, Charon, on the Ohio river today, after suffering a perilous night while the ferry was being crushed and pitched in an ice gorge.

It was impossible for the boat to land, and the passengers, including thirty five women and children, had to be taken off in small boats.

The ice prevented the boatmen from reaching the side of the ferry, and men had to carry the women and children over the jammed ice cakes to the open water.

A score of the passengers were placed in danger of serious consequences from their exposure.

The ferry, plying from Bellaire to Benwood, became caught in the ice gorge about 8 o'clock. The engines were unable to free it, and it was forced into the center of the gorge at the middle of the river. The ice crunching against the sides caused a panic and several women tried to leap overboard with their children.

River men living in houseboats went to the rescue in the morning. The crew stayed with the ferry, in the belief that they could save her.

It's easy for an old bachelor to get married when a widow camps on his trail.

NEW YORK CITY HEADS THE LIST

Is the Champion Municipal Borrower of Land.

HER DEBT AMOUNTS TO $142.52 PER CAPITA

Only Five Other Cities Above the $100 Mark.

They Are Cincinnati, Boston, Galveston, Pueblo and Newton, Massachusetts—Of the Big Cities, San Francisco Has the Smallest Debt. Erie, Pennsylvania, Has the Minimum Debt of Smaller Cities.

Washington, Dec 28.—New York City is the champion municipal borrower of the country.

The total net indebtedness of the metropolis, according to the statistics announced today by the census bureau, is more than seven times that of any other city and more than one-half the total of the twenty-seven largest cities in the country. If the debt were divided up, each inhabitant of Greater New York would owe $142.52.

There are only five other cities with a per capita debt of more than $100—Cincinnati, $123.85; Boston, $120.37; Galveston, $115.78; Pueblo, $108.23, and Newton, Massachusetts, $105.83.

Of the cities of more than 300,000 population, San Francisco has by far the smallest net debt, with Detroit a close second. In the classification of cities from 100,000 to 300,000 inhabitants, those with the smallest per capita net debt are St. Joseph, Missouri, $16.46, and Indianapolis, $17.91.

Erie Has Small Debt.

Erie, Pennsylvania, leads the list of towns with from 30,000 to 100,000 with the smallest total, $10.13 per capita. Wheeling, West Virginia, is next with $10.41, Joplin, Missouri, with $10.70, and Johnstown, Pennsylvania, with $11.92.

New York is responsible for more than one-half of the increase of the net municipal debt for 1907, the year covered by the bureau's figures, which amounted to $120,930,631. Seattle, Washington, was the only city of more than 300,000, the debt of which increased more than a million. The Washington city's debt piled up $5,791,078 durin 1907.

Several cities—notably St. Louis, San Francisco, Washington, Indianapolis and Kansas City, Missouri—decreased their indebtedness during the year.

The bureau suggests that the value of public improvements should be considered in connection with these figures, many cities having during 1907 purchased their own waterworks, light plants, etc.

WEIRD MYSTERIES OF CHINESE TONGS

Are Laid Bare in Papers Found by the New York Police.

New York, Dec. 28.—The weird mysteries of the "Four Brothers," and the On Leong tongs, the two greatest Chinese secret societies, will, it is believed, be uncovered in the papers found today by Police Captain Galvin in a large iron box belonging to Low Jung, the withered, feeble Chinese who was shot to death last night in a room on Pell street at the same time Low Ye Fong, himself more than seventy years old, was fatally wounded.

The papers show that Low Jung was the treasurer of the "Four Brothers" society and that he, with Low Ye Fong, had been doomed to death by the On Leong tong.

The box is also said to have contained papers which reveal the secrets not only of the "Four Brothers," but also of its deadly rival, the On Leong tong.

So important did Captain Galvin consider the documents that he declared. "I can tell nothing I have not even told my own detectives the contents of those papers. They will be turned over to Commissioner Baker. I can only say that they are of vast importance."

When Elsie Sigel was murdered, the "Four Brothers" did all in their power to aid the police to arrest Leon Ling, her slayer, who was a member of the On Leong tong, which society sought to shield Leon Ling. So bitter became the feeling between the two tongs that battles occurred all over the United States and a score of Chinamen have been murdered.

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FARMERS' INSTITUTE PROVING A SUCCESS

Many Farmers Attending Sessions at Caledonia

DISCUSSION OF INTERESTING TOPICS

Many Questions Are Submitted and Answered by Practical Men—The Questions Deal with Treatment of Sick Animals and Preservation of Soil Fertility

Caledonia, Dec 30 —[Special]— The Wednesday afternoon session of the Marion County Farmers Institute was attended by a large and appreciative audience J H Guthery of LaRue, president of the association, took charge of the meeting and after a few remarks, announced that a short time would be given to the question box for the purpose of enlightening those present on any points not understood about the subjects taken up in the forenoon session

George L Leaming, of Mt Gilead, answered the first question What is a good remedy to use for lice on hogs. He stated that a thorough washing of the hog was necessary and that the application of a carbolic wash or some other equally effective wash should be applied at once and that some farmers make a dip through which the animals are driven.

Is fertility killed to waste if ground lay bare during winter was answered by J S Brigham of Bowling Green who said it undoubtedly would but that it was often hard to overcome this condition. Wherever it was possible to do so he advised that clover or some other crop should be sown to prevent this condition.

Benefits of Ohio State Fair was the subject then introduced by J S Brigham. He first asked how many present had attended the last state fair and how many believed in holding a state fair and said he hoped to say something that would cause all to attend the next one. The state board of agriculture has fitted up the present ground in Columbus in a splendid manner and at great expense for this purpose and no better place can be found to learn of the various improvements made in machinery and other things necessary to the practical farmer. There all kinds of machinery are shown and explained and each exhibitor is doing his best to make sales on [illegible] land which has been fitted for them. If interested in horses one should go into the pavillion where they are kept for the purpose of exhibition. The horses are brought out into an arena where they are led around and the spectators look them over. After choosing those of the best quality according to their opinion they are again judged and by this means the best are finally picked out. Thus if we pay attention to this it learns us a great many points necessary to know when intending to buy a good horse. So it is with all the other animals at the fair. He stated there is nothing so beneficial to the farmer as to take a few days vacation and go out in the world and see things and no better place than the state fair can be found for this purpose. He said the live stock interests of this state amount to $1[illegible]0,000,000 and that last year was the first time an appropriation had been made to take care of them in case of disease. Then only $1,000 had been given for this purpose. Should a farmer's cattle become affected by tuberculosis and it be ordered killed on account of this small sum it would take a year before he would receive his pay from the state. He closed by urging the farmers to attend the state fair every year if possible and get an object lesson learning what suits him for the purpose and then go home and get to work with renewed vigor. At the close of his address President Guthery asked In case a farmer's hogs become affected by cholera and a state man is sent for to examine the herd would the farmer have to pay for the service? Mr Brigham stated no expense is incurred by the farmer for this unless the hogs had to be innoculated with the hog cholera serum and then only a small price is charged.

After a song "Jim" by the male quartet Mrs J A Cooley read a paper on "How Farmers Wives Can Help Their Husbands." She said if she had taken time to think before the subject had been assigned to her she would have had it changed as it should be a great deal easier for the husband to help the wife than for the wife to help the husband. She cited two examples to show how farmers wives are often called upon to help their husbands. In one case the wife had to help plow the ground, sow the seed, reap the crop and attend to the animals while in the other she attended to the home duties, made the hours cheerful and the home a pleasure to all. The first farmer sold all the good things from the farm and kept the poor for home use but did not prosper. The second started with a few acres and soon increased by careful management to a farm of ninety acres. In the first case the work was repulsive to the wife while in the second it was an enjoyable occupation. She closed by stating that it is a woman's part to fulfill the scripture doing her part to make life pleasant on the farm and in all ways to make a success of it.

George L Leaming then spoke about The College of Agriculture. He stated that provision was made for this in 186[illegible] but it was not until 1878 that it was put in operation and the college of agriculture established. Its aim is to educate the boys of Ohio in the matter of agriculture and the uses of the various implements necessary. The site on which this college stands comprises [illegible] acres. The college has an attendance of 2,064 students. The courses are divided into two three and four year terms and a winter term of ten weeks. Any young man with a High school diploma can take a four year course while the winter term does not require a certificate. This course admits all classes and gives a general knowledge of agriculture, nine different branches of study being given. The cost of a four year term is from $1[illegible]0 to $175 a year and the winter term about $75. He said it was stated that many of the boys who attend this college do not return to the farm. This is so in some cases but only because some who attend become so efficient that they are sought as teachers in various colleges. He believes that young men should not limit themselves in education but endeavor to locate themselves and accept a higher education. No condition is so onerous but what it can be filled by any one who makes an effort to do so. He closed by saying that two free studentships are offered by the board of agriculture to each county and urged that application be made for them.

Wednesday Evening

Wednesday evening the early part of the session was taken up with music, songs and declamations.

A piano duet by Misses Irene Irwin and Georgia Ledrow was followed by a song by the quartet. Marie Coulter in a pleasing manner delivered a declamation "The Farmer's Boy" and A N Cummins contributed a nice solo. "When Maud Raked" was the title of a declamation nicely spoken by Lester [illegible].

After a song by the quartet the theme "Making the Farm Home Attractive" was discussed by J S Brigham. In the course of his remarks he said the farmer has often been made fun of by such remarks as "hayseed" and a few others of like kind but this time has past. Perhaps the farmer himself is [illegible] to blame for this because he did not take many of the social things of life [illegible] by passing them by and thus not improving the opportunity to reduce some of the rough edges. He sometimes becomes so interested in raising corn, hay and other products that he forgets as time goes on he will become old and not be able to enjoy the pleasures of life. In the same manner he fails to make the home attractive. Unlike the city homes which are often surrounded by well kept lawns and shady trees the farm home is too often neglected. Plant rose bushes and shrubbery in convenient places, do away with the many things that make work a drudgery and provide some of the appliances which make things convenient. Make the most of one's home attractive by keeping the rooms nicely papered, well lighted and heated so that when the family gathers in the evening it does not seem gloomy and deserted but a place where one can enjoy many pleasures. Do not spend all the money from the crops to buy other land but use some of it to make home happy. Do this and the young people will not become dissatisfied but will be so attracted to their own home that they will not care to leave it for some other place of amusement. He urged the spending of at least twenty five dollars a year in the purchase of good farm papers and magazines that the members of the family may keep posted on the events of the day.

A solo by Harry Trout was followed by an address "Am I My Brother's Keeper" by George L Leaming and the program was closed with a song.

CHARLES WYBLE DIES OF WHOOPING COUGH

Mr Wyble Has Many Friends in This City

Mr C H Martin and Mr [illegible] returned home Wednesday evening from Columbus where they attended the funeral of their cousin Charles Wyble who died at his home in that city Monday. Mr Wyble was fifty eight years of age and his death was caused by whooping cough. He is survived by a widow and three children.

Mr Wyble was quite well known in this city having visited here many times.

JOINED IN MARRIAGE AT PASTOR'S HOME

Miss Carrie E Parish and Mr George W Harden

LaRue, Dec 30 [Special]—Miss Carrie E Parish daughter of Thomas Parish of this place was united in marriage to Mr George W Harden Wednesday evening at [illegible] o'clock by Rev J A Sutton at his home.

The groom is a son of Mr and Mrs Conrad Harden west of LaRue and is a prosperous farmer. The young people will reside with the bride's father.

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buys a "Junior Oak" soft coal heater with 13 inch fire pot at

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PROBATE COURT

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Earl Noblet has been appointed administrator with the will annexed of the estate of James Noblet Sr deceased. His bond has been fixed at $[illegible],000.

Charles D Moyer guardian of Freeda Bickel and others minors has filed a petition to sell real estate. The hearing will be held January 2[illegible] at 10 a m.

Only Two More Days of This Big Sale

The following are a few hints for the last two days.

Women's and Misses Suits ½ Off

of fine Serge Panama Diagonal and Worsted and Cheviots all the latest styles and colors can be found here. Former prices ranging from $15.00 to $75.00. This sale prices are **$8 50 to $37 50**

Our Fine Lot of Furs and Furs Coats at ½ Off

Some of the most remarkable values offered this week in our fur department in Scarfs Muffs and Sets. Lynx, Iceland Fox, Jap Mink, American Mink and Russian Mink, French Coney, Sable Marten and Blended Squirrel all ½ **off,** including fur coats.

Misses and Children's Coats ½ Off

From [illegible] to 14 years old. Misses coats in Teddy Bear coats, pony skin, fancy cloths plaid and stripes were $5.00 to $25.00 now **$2 50 to $12 50**

Children's coats in bear skin Astrachan pony skin and crush velvet were $2.50 to $10.00 now **$1 25 to $5 00**

Did you see the new evening and party dresses just arrived at the J P Ludwig store. Call and see them.

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A Few Big Bargains in Farms

I know they are—in 30 days you will **KNOW** it. **Farms $10 acre more**

100 acres close Marion good land house barn orchard tiled and fenced. Can't be beat—only $125 per acre

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50 acres finest land small buildings timber to build with on west bank of Big Scioto near Newmans. Price for one week at $120 per acre then $125 and no less

176 acre fine black land house barn sheds well cistern near good market only $95 per acre

192 acres near Marion $120 only per acre. Brick house big barn cheap as dirt

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80 acres on interurban $85 per acre. Small house and stable

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80 acres fine land good buildings and so near the city that it is an ideal FARM for DAIRY purposes $125 per acre for a few days then $135 per acre or off the market

[illegible]0 acres best farm in Marion county $250 per acre and we will get it too

70 acres south Marion Good improvements $200 per acre

Big 2 story house large lot end of south Main street Only $3000

Nice investment home on Washington street. Cost $1255. Will sell at $1000. Rents at $7 per month now

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Bargains—Modern fine—2 at $1200 each worth $3000 each any way. One 8 rooms, from cemented cellar out of sight only until January 2nd 1910 at $3000. Best complete modern worth $4000

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Here is a coat sale without a precedent in all Central Ohio. While searching the Cleveland markets this week our buyer, through a most fortunate circumstance, was able to purchase of The Greenhut Cloak Co.; W. E. Homes & Co. and Schwartz, Huebschman & Forney their entire surplus stocks of this season's handsomest long black coats at JUST 50c ON THE DOLLAR

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All in all it's without a doubt the greatest sale of desirable black coats we ever attempted—and is easily without a parallel in Marion

But don't delay—the choicest of the lot will soon be picked over—and unless you're prompt all opportunities will be lost.

Coats made to retail at $15.00 Choice now $7.50.
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But remember, at these prices all alterations will positively be extra without exception—but even at that you cannot help but secure the real and greatest coat bargain of a lifetime

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TAFT DIFFERS FROM EXPERTS

President Delivers Decision on Great Question,

THE MOMENTOUS WHAT IS WHISKY?

Holds That Food Expert Wiley Is Too Narrow.

Also Takes Exceptions to Rulings Made by Bonaparte and Bowers. Holds That All Potable Liquors Distilled from Grain Are Whisky, No Matter How Great the Adulteration of Liquors May Be.

Washington, Dec. 27. — President Taft, in a four-thousand word opinion, on which he has been working for months, has decided the much-mooted question of "What is whisky?" differing in his decision from Harvey W. Wiley, chief chemist of the department of agriculture; Lloyd N. Bowers, solicitor general of the United States, and Former Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte. From Mr. Bonaparte and Dr. Wiley the president differs radically in his findings, and from the opinion of Solicitor General Bowers, which he commends highly, he takes exception also. In effect the president finds that other interpretations of the pure food act of June 30, 1906, as applied to whisky, have been too narrow.

"After examination of all the evidence," he says, "it seems to me overwhelmingly established that for a hundred years the term 'whisky' in the trade and among the customers has included all potable liquor dis-

SOLICITOR GENERAL BOWERS.
His Decision as to "What Is Whisky" Repudiated by President Taft.

tilled from grain; that the straight whisky is, as compared with the whisky made by rectification or redistillaton and flavorng and coloring matter, a subsequent improvement, and that therefore it is a perversion of the pure food act to attempt now to limit the meaning of the term 'whisky' to that which modern manufacture and taste have made the most desirable variety."

Where Bowers Erred.

Both Dr. Wiley and Attorney General Bonaparte found that the brand "whisky" could be applied properly only to "straight whisky," or such liquor as was made by one distillation and by aging in charred oak barrels, while Mr. Bowers, the president's report says, "fell into the error of making too nice a distinction in reference to the amount of congeneric substance or traces of fusil oil required to constitute whisky for practical purposes."

"It is undoubtedly true," says the president, "that the liquor trade has been disgracefully full of frauds on the public by false labels; but these frauds did not consist in palming something off which was not whisky, but in palming off one kind of whisky as another and better kind of whisky. Whisky made of rectified or redistilled or neutral spirits and given a color and flavor by burnt sugar, made in a few days, was often branded as bourbon or rye straight whisky. The way to remedy this evil is not to attempt to change the meaning and scope of the term whisky accorded to it for 100 years and narrow it to include only straight whisky; and there is nothing in the pure food law that warrants the inference of such an intention by congress. The way to do it is to require a branding in connection with the term 'whisky' which will indicate just what kind of whisky the package contains. Thus, straight whisky may be branded as such and may be accompanied by the legend 'aged in the wood.' Whisky made from rectified, redistilled or neutral spirits may be branded as whiskymade from rectified,redistilled or neutral spirits, as the case may be.

"Those who made whisky of rectified, redistilled or neutral spirits can not complain if, in order to prevent further frauds, they are required to use a brand which shall show exactly the kind of whisky they are selling. For that reason [illegible] to require them to brand their product as 'whisky made from rectified spirits,' or 'whisky made from neutral spirits,' as the case may be, and if aged in the wood, as sometimes is the case with this class of whisky, they may add this fact."

Referring to the question of blends, of which the pure food law says, "In the case of articles labeled, branded or tagged so as to indicate plainly that they are compounds, imitations or blends, the term blend shall mean a mixture of like substances," the president says: "Where straight whisky and whisky made from neutral spirits are mixed, it is proper to call them a blend of straight whisky and whisky made from neutral spirits."

In regard to the "distillate from molasses used for drinking, commonly known as rum," the report says that the use of the whisky label is "misbranding."

"This opinion," says the president, "will be certified to the secretary of the treasury, the secretary of agriculture, the secretary of commerce and labor, to prepare the regulations in accordance herewith and under the pure food law; and to the secretary of agriculture and the commissioner of internal revenue, to prepare the proper regulation in relation to the internal revenue law."

WHITLOCK TO HELP GOVERNOR HARMON

Reward Is To Be Dick's Seat If Legislature Is Democratic.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 27.—According to advices received in local Democratic circles, Governor Harmon has entered into an alliance with Mayor Whitlock of Toledo as a preliminary movement to his campaign for re-election in 1910.

The alliance is said to include the Harmon organization, the O'Dwyer Democratic organization of Toledo and the independent faction in a half dozen principal cities of Ohio, over which Mayor Whitlock has practical control. By the terms of this alliance Harmon is to be re-elected, Whitlock is to succeed Senator Dick, if possible, and in case the legislature is Republican, is to be Harmon's successor in the Statehouse.

Whitlock's part of the program is to take the stump for Harmon next year and to work among his independent voters as well as the Democrats for Harmon's election. The mayor of Toledo is said to have told friends that he is to retire from the mayoralty there in two years and to test his strength in state circles.

ARTIST FREDERICK REMINGTON DIES

Achieves Fame by His Pictures of Horses and Indians.

New York, Dec. 27. After an illness dating from Thursday evening, Frederick Remington, the artist, died at his country home, Ridgefield, Conn., following an operation for appendicitis Friday morning. Mrs. Remington was with him when he died. They had no children.

Remington was known as an illustrator, a writer, a painter and a sculptor. He had been a clerk, a cowboy and a football player. He was devoted to the open air. His industry kept him painting for long hours and his humor for the open book took him often regularly and long to the saddle. It was his open air life before he took up art that gave the bent to his whole artistic career. He had fought the Indians on the plains and when he turned to art he first drew and afterward painted the Indians and the horses and the cowboys and the soldiers that he had learned to know. When he went to Europe [illegible] officers and [illegible]

A woman isn't necessarily homely because she is fond of her home.

THROWS DOWN THE GAUNTLET

To the Opposition Which Makes Fight on Him.

CHIEF FORESTER GIFFORD PINCHOT

Makes Address to Prominent New York Publishers.

It Is the Honorable Distinction of the Forest Service, He Says, That It Has Been More Constantly, More Violently and More Bitterly Assailed by the Special Interests Than Any Department.

New York, Dec. 27.—"The American people have evidently made up their minds that our natural resources shall be conserved. But for whose benefit? For the benefit of the few or the profit of the many? The great conflict now being fought will decide."

In these words, Gifford Pinchot, chief of the forest service of the national government, in an address today threw down the gauntlet to the opposition which is fighting to oust him and his program of conservation. Pinchot's reference to the great conflict now being fought, is the declaration that he recognizes the contest as a very real one, in which the stake is big and in which as he made perfectly clear in the course of his address, he expects to fight to the finish.

Pinchot spoke at a luncheon given him by a number of prominent publishers of New York at the University club.

Most Bitterly Assailed.

"It is the honorable distinction," Pinchot declared earnestly, "of the forest service that it has been more constantly, more violently, and more bitterly attacked by the representatives of the special interests in recent years than any other government bureau.

"The more successful we have been in preventing land-grabbing and the absorption of water-power by the special interests, the more ingenious, the more devious and the more dangerous these attacks have become. A favorite one is to assert that the forest service in its zeal for the public interest has played duck and drakes with the acts of congress. The fact is, on the contrary that the service has had warrant of law for everything it has done. And still further:

"We hold it to be the first duty of a public officer to obey the law. But we hold it to be his second duty, and a close second, to do everything the law directs or compels him to do.

Losses Are Great.

"The people of this country have lost vastly more than they can ever regain by gifts of public property forever and without charge, to men who give nothing in return. It is true that we have made superb material progress under this system, but it is not well for us to rejoice too freely in the slices the special interests have given us from the great loaf of the property of all the people.

"The people of the United States have been the complacent victims of a system of grab often perpetrated by the men who would have been surprised beyond measure to be accused of wrongdoing and many of whom in their private lives are model citizens.

Taken by Corporations.

"We have allowed the great corporations to occupy with their own men the strategic points in business, in social, and in political life. It is our fault more than theirs. We have allowed it when we could have stopped it. Too often we have seemed to forget that a man in public life can no more serve both the special interests and the people than he can serve his God and mammon. There is no reason why the American people should not take into their hands again the full political power which is theirs by right and which they exercised before the special interests began to nullify the will of the majority.

"Since the forest service called public attention to the rapid absorption of the water power sites and the threatening growth of a great water power monopoly, the attacks upon it have increased with marked rapidity. I anticipate that they will continue to do so. Still greater opposition is promised in the near future. There is but one protection—an awakened and determined public opinion. That is why I give you the facts."

RICHARD A. BALLINGER, WHO CALLS FOR VINDICATION IN LAND FIGHT

Washington, Dec. 23. Political tongues are wagging vigorously over Richard A. Ballinger's demand for an investigation of the now celebrated Ballinger-Pinchot controversy. The secretary of the interior was moved to action by a speech made by Representative Hitchcock of Nebraska, demanding that congress at once begin a general [illegible] of the land office. Mr. [illegible] went to the White House and put the matter up to President Taft, declaring that he could no longer [illegible] under the criticism directed at him from the Pinchot faction. [illegible] more political significance attaches to the fight on Secretary Ballinger than appears on the surface, is the statement made by those who profess to be neutral in the matter. His principal opponents are strong adherents of Mr. Roosevelt and in some quarters are regarded as the nucleus of a Roosevelt 1912 machine.

THE FUTURE OF HOUSE OF LORDS

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empty honors and will carry with them no special privileges nor the right to participate in the nation's legislative counsels. The general view is that so soon as they become valueless from a material standpoint, they will begin to go out of fashion and that the British nobility has therefore practically reached the beginning of its end.

King Edward is said to be seriously uneasy concerning the future of the crown itself. It is not an issue in the present quarrel and, while the king remains satisfactory to a majority of his people, it is more than unlikely that anything will be done toward depriving himself of the figurehead post which he occupies at present. Should he give signs of reactionary tendencies it would be altogether unwise. The tenure of a monarch who undertook to thwart his subjects, will, in the English of the present day, be extremely short.

It doesn't take a man long to become used to making a fool of himself.

BANKS STREWN WITH CORPSES

Hundreds of Dead Along the Douro and Guadalquiver.

FROM FIVE TO SIX HUNDRED DROWNED

As a Result of the Great Storm in Land of Alfonso.

The Complete Story May Increase the Loss of Life—One of the Most Serious Features of the Loss Is the Destruction of the Livestock on Hundreds of Farms, Necessitating Importation of New Herds.

Madrid, Dec. 27.—Incomplete returns from the flood-swept provinces of Spain today indicate a minimum dead of from 500 to 600 with the possibility that the complete story will greatly swell this number.

Freezing weather has followed the flood, and the distress in the devastated towns is severe. The government is doing everything possible to relieve the sufferers, but owing to the destruction of many miles of railroad tracks, it will be days before some of the isolated places can be reached.

The provinces of Cabeza, Zamora, Valladolid, Burgos, Toledo, Santander and Lugo are the worst sufferers, the property loss there running into the millions.

The banks of the Douro and Guadalquiver rivers are strewn with corpses.

One of the most serious features of the loss is the destruction of the livestock on hundreds of farms, necessitating the importation of herds of cattle and sheep to replace those that were drowned. Despatches from Portugal say that the damage there is almost as heavy as in Spain. King Manuel of Portugal is now at Oporto, the center of the Portuguese flood area and has assumed personal charge of the relief work. The cabinet has voted financial aid to the stricken sections.

POLITICIANS DO NOT FANCY BILL

Putting State Institutions Under One Board.

TO DIVORCE POLITICS FROM MANAGEMENT

The Political Log-Roller Will Lose His Job.

If He Tries His Game To Get a Friend a Job at an Institution on Any Other Basis Than Merit, He May Be Removed from Office. Bill Provides for Non-Partisan Method of Operation.

Columbus, Dec. 27.—The politicians like not the bill to put the state institutions under the control of one board because it contains a provision which will divorce politics from the management of the institutions. If any official engages in any political log-rolling to get a friend a job at an institution on any other basis than that of merit, he may be removed from office. The bill provides for a non-partisan method of operation. The collection of campaign assessments from institution employes, an abuse of many years' standing, will not be possible under the method provided by the bill. This is a feature that will be roundly anathematized by the politicians. The custom has been to make everybody, high and low, pay an assessment equal to three per cent. of what they receive. Not even the lowliest laborer has been exempt from this extracting process. The managers of the Mansfield reformatory have taken the initiative in abolishing the campaign assessment nuisance. They have adopted a rule prohibiting the collection of money for any purpose at the institution, and Governor Harmon has given it his approval.

Assembly To Convene.

Next Monday morning the general assembly will begin what will probably be the longest session in years. It would be folly to try to predict just what will be done. There are a dozen big questions awaiting solution. One is a plan to raise money, and no one seems to have the remotest idea of how this is to be done. If the revenues are not increased the state will go "broke" within a comparatively short time. The appropriations now are much in excess of the income and they can not possibly be made less. They must, perforce, be greater this time, because additions are needed at nearly every institution. Some kind of a bill must be passed so that as the tax duplicate increases the rate will be lowered. Otherwise there will be a high fight against the proposing taxing of property at its full value. Much school legislation is needed. There will be a bill to abolish the numerous state tax boards and put their work in the hands of one board. The inheritance tax as a revenue producer will be up for consideration. There will be a bill to repeal the Wertz law so that contract labor can again be had at the penitentiary.

Abolish Death Penalty.

There will be a bill to do away with the death penalty, and another to put a quietus on the cigaret. There will probably be a bill to legalize Sunday baseball. It will provide that where the people vote to have Sunday baseball it may be had. It is to be a local question, to be decided by each community. Stringent penalties will be provided for tampering with telephone and telegraph wires and gas and light meters. There will be bills to increase the terms of county officials. Two such measures were up last winter. The recorders got through a bill to add two years to their terms, but the governor's veto killed the measure. Bills of this kind will stand as much show of becoming laws as a snowball would of remaining intact in a wedding furnace.

There will be a big crop of insurance bills, all designed to give better protection to the policyholder. There will be an assault made on the primary election law, but it will hardly be successful. The hunters' gun license bill will be again introduced. It provides a tax for every gun carried. There will be a bill to repeal an old law prohibiting state institutions from buying any substitute for butter so that they may serve butterine and oleo to the inmates and thus cut down expenses. Another bill will make patients in the state hospital who have the money pay for their maintenance and treatment. There will be a measure giving the state bank superintendent the right to seize a bank when he finds out that it is insolvent. These are some of the most important measures that will be chucked into the hopper.

The average man would rather be right than be president of a company that can't afford to pay a good salary.

FILES MOTION FOR REINSTATEMENT

Attorney Thatcher Wants To Practice Before State Courts.

Columbus, O., Dec. 27.—Charles A. Thatcher, the Toledo attorney disbarred by the supreme court last June, filed a motion today for reinstatement. His disbarment was based on his attacks, during a campaign, upon Judges running for re-election.

In the motion for reinstatement, Thatcher promises the court to avoid such errors in the future and humble himself to the language, spirit and effect of the disbarment decree. He says he has suffered a loss of more than $10,000 by reason of the disbarment proceedings, aside from mental anguish, and thinks he has suffered enough.

SPECIAL ATTORNEY FOR LEGISLATURE

To Give Members Advice on Pending Legislation.

Columbus, O., Dec. 27.—At the suggestion of Chairman Ritter, of the house finance committee, and other members of the general assembly, a bill has been drawn and is ready for introduction at the session that opens next week, providing for the appointment of a special counsel by the attorney general, whose duties shall consist of giving legal advice to members of the legislature as such, and to keep up annually a codification of the state laws.

MURDEROUS ATTACK MADE BY A COOK

Upon Prince Chun, the Father of Emperor Pu.

Peking, Dec. 27.—A Manchu, formerly a cook in the imperial household, made a murderous attack upon Prince Chun, the regent and father of Emperor Pu. Chun was stabbed as he was approaching the palace, but only slightly wounded. His assailant was arrested. The would-be assassin is believed to have actuated by the belief that the Manchu dynasty is threatened by the new regime.

GOVERNOR NOEL NAMES GORDAN

To Succeed the Late McLaurin in the United States Senate.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 27.—Governor Noel today announced the appointment of James Gordan, of Okolona, Mississippi, United States senator to succeed the late Senator McLaurin, who died of heart failure Thursday night. The appointment will be effective until the legislature names a senator. It meets January 4.

TO SEARCH FOR ELUSIVE DOCTOR

Many "Expeditions" Are Being Fitted Out in Paris.

CORRESPONDENTS NOT ABLE TO LOCATE HIM

The Doctor Is Believed To Be at Nice at Present.

His Final "Discovery" Bids Fair To Be as Much of an Achievement as His Alleged Discovery of the North Pole—Mail Is Being Delivered at Nice to a Person Authorized To Receive It.

Paris, Dec. 27.—Telegrams sent by the United Press to Dr. Frederick A. Cook at Nice were delivered, according to telegraph officials, to a person authorized to act for the doctor, but no reply has yet been received. It is believed that Cook was at Nice but concealed his identity under an assumed name.

A score of correspondents from all over Europe are trying to find the discredited Brooklyn explorer. They have found evidence that he was at Toulon on Thursday and Friday. He is now believed to be either in Nice or Monte Carlo.

Still other "expeditions" are being fitted out to go in search of the elusive doctor, and his final "discovery" bids fair to be as great an achievement as his alleged discovery of the North pole.

Affair in Country.

In celebration of Christmas day, Mr and Mrs. William J. Withrow, two miles south of Agosta, gave a four-course dinner. The day was a happy one spent with games, music and social diversions.

Those who accepted hospitality were Mrs. John Coucl, of Findlay, Mr and Mrs. Charles Carr, Mr and Mrs. Edward Williams, Mr and Mrs William Carr, Miss Lucy Carr, Miss Ethel Withrow, Miss Ruby Williams and Miss Mildred Carr.

PATTEN STANDS TO SUFFER LOSS

Unless Price of May Corn Drops Fifteen Cents

BETWEEN PRESENT AND LAST OF MAY

Said To Be from 10,000,000 to 13,000,000 Bushels Short.

Has Thrown Millions Upon the Market To Break the Price Without Avail—The American Society of Equity Is Believed To Be Responsible for the Present Stiffness of the Market.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Unless the price of May corn drops at least fifteen cents between now and May 31, James A. Patten, the grain speculator who made such a "killing" in May wheat a year ago, will lost a fortune, according to reports on the board of trade today.

Patten is popularly reported to be short from 10,000,000 to 13,000,000 bushels of corn, and still continues to sell heavily. It is stated that much of his short interest was acquired when May corn was fifty-two cents, on the theory that there would be a huge crop and the grain would be cheap.

The recent sensational advance in May corn was believed to be merely a temporary flurry, but the price has held steadily ever since and brokers say there is no present indication of a break.

Patten has been selling the grain right and left for weeks in an effort to break the price, but so far has failed.

The American Society of Equity, an alliance of farmers organized to protect the interests of corn growers and to eliminate speculators, is believed by corn bulls to be responsible for present high prices.

15,000,000 Bushels Long.

According to reports, members of this society are long upward of 15,000,00 bushels of corn and are under pledge not to release any of it until word comes from the heads of the society who are directing the present bull movement. The society believes that, if this corn is held long enough, prices will soar much further and its members will reap a rich harvest.

Corn bears deny that the Society of Equity has anything to do with the advance. They declare there is a big crop and that the only reason for the advance is that recent railway troubles have created a shortage of cars. They predict that as soon as the railways settle their differences with their employes, corn will begin to pour into the pit and the price will slump sensationally.

May corn opened today at 67, jumped to 67¾ and then fell back to 67½. This is a cent and a half over Friday's close.

WILD ANIMALS DESERT HILLS

Snow Drives Them to Colorado Towns in Search of Food.

Denver, Dec. 28.—Unusually heavy snows on the eastern slope of the Rockies has forced wild game of nearly all varieties to overrun the ranches among the foothills in search of food. A mountain lion chased two cows through the village of Insmont, a mountain resort, 15 miles from Denver. The lion passed near to a man who was carrying a gun, but he missed the hungry beast. A coyote appeared at the kitchen of the hotel at Bailey and almost got one of the landlady's dogs but was driven away by a servant girl.

Antelope, deer and mountain sheep are seen in large numbers on the ranches of Fremont county, close to Canon City, and farmers complain that they are depleting the stocks of hay needed for cattle and sheep.

ANDREW CARNEGIE FALLS ON THE ICE

Confined to Room on Occasion of Dinner to Notables.

New York, Dec. 28.—Andrew Carnegie, who was to have entertained President Taft at dinner if the snow had not deterred the president from coming to the assembly of historical and kindred societies, was laid up in bed with a strained knee, the result of a fall in Central Park, and Governor Hughes and Mayor McClellan ate dinner in his house with him.

Professor W. G. Sumner of Yale, who was to have presided at one of the meetings, was prostrated at his hotel by what the doctors think was a slight stroke of apoplexy. His life is not believed to be in immediate danger.

It keeps the state legislatures busy making new laws as fast as the old ones are broken.

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MADRIZ ARRESTS HIGH OFFICIALS

New President Gets Busy After Flight of Zelaya.

THE SON-IN-LAW OF ZELAYA ONE OF THEM

Arrested for Looting of the Treasury of Nicaragua.

Minister General Bacaya Is Making Plans for the Revocation of the Franchises Granted to Various People and Corporations by Zelaya, Who Flees from the Country on a Mexican Gunboat.

Managua, Dec. 27.—Ernesto Martinez, minister of finance under Zelaya; Zoaquin Panos son-in-law of Zelaya, and T. Santos Ramirez, have been arrested by the police on orders from President Madriz.

The first two are charged with embezzlement of public funds, the circulation of unsigned paper money, and with failure to register government bonds, while Ramirez is accused of forging the name of President Madriz to a dispatch ordering the Nicaraguan troops to abandon their positions. The arrest of Panos and Martinez was due to the discovery that the financial condition of the country is alarming.

The arrest of Panos was hailed with glee by the residents of Managua. He has long been a figurehead through whom Zelaya held control and operated all the monopolies in which there was a dollar to be gained. He is said to have been of great assistance to his father-in-law in organizing these monopolistic companies.

Minister General Bacaya is making plans for the revocation of the franchises granted to various people by Zelaya, through whom he profited. President Madriz has issued a manifesto restoring to citizenship Generals Godey, Chazarita and Ordiz, all of whom were exiled by Zelaya in 1896

Former President Zelaya left Corinto on board a Mexican gunboat, his destination being Salina Cruz, Mexico.

Engine No. 2559 pulling Erie train No. 8, side-swiped the caboose of an extra westbound freight at the cross-over track in front of the RN telegraph office, Sunday morning. The fireman was just coaling the engine and the engineer of the train did not notice that the caboose was not in the clear. The side of the caboose was caved in and was badly damaged. Two of the members of the train crew were in the caboose, but neither was injured. The caboose was turned on its side in order to clear the track and the wrecking crew was sent for to place it back on the rails The engine was slightly damaged, but not disabled.

MURDERS GIRL WHO SPURNS HIS LOVE

Married Man Also Wounds Both of Her Parents.

Toledo, O., Dec. 28.—Joseph Macklen, 38, in a fit of jealousy because Miss Caroline Hunt, 18, refused to marry him, tried to exterminate the Hunt family. He shot Miss Hunt through the head, killing her instantly, shot her father, Stephen Hunt through the nose, inflicting a fatal wound, and sent a bullet through Mrs. Hunt's shoulder.

Macklen, who is married, his wife residing at Mansfield, O., was infatuated with the 18-year-old girl. She always spurned his attentions, however, as he was a married man. This so angered Macklen that, after loading up with booze, he left with his brother Jerry for the girl's home, declaring he would clean out the house Upon reaching the house Joseph walked into the sitting room where the family were all seated with the exception of the mother, who was in the kitchen and immediately began to shoot He killed the girl with one shot through the head. He then fired a bullet through Mr. Hunt's nose, fatally wounding the old man. Mrs. Hunt, hearing the noise ran in from the kitchen and received a bullet in the shoulder. He also fired at the girl's brother, Frank, but he escaped by jumping through a window. Joseph Macklen is still at large, but his brother Jerry is under arrest.

Girl's Death a Mystery.

Portsmouth, O., Dec. 28—Mystery surrounds the finding of the dead body of Miss Callie Wilson, 18, on the floor of the kitchen of her father's farmhouse, near Powellsville Across the body lay a rifle, a bullet from which had pierced her heart. The young woman was seen by relatives only a short time before the discovery of the tragedy, is said to have been in her usual good health and spirits, and they scout the theory of suicide.

Tom Lewis Makes Prediction.

Bridgeport, O., Dec 28—President T. L. Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers of America, claims his reelection by 10,000 majority. The work of counting the votes of the various locals throughout the country will not be finished until Jan. 18, but Lewis says that the result as he has it figured out, will not be changed.

Canton Fires Investigated.

Canton, O., Dec. 28—Deputy State Fire Marshal O. L. Hartupee arrived here to investigate two fires that occurred here last week. One, a stable, in which a horse was burned, is believed by Fire Chief Mesnar to have been incendiary. The other is that of the Stark Lumber company, whose loss totaled $15,000.

Boy Wins Race With Train.

St. Marys, O., Dec. 28. — After a mile chase on a horse on the track before a passenger train here, a boy, whose name could not be learned, fell from the animal into a ditch and escaped death. Just as the lad fell, the horse slowed, down, exhausted after the run, and the express train killed the animal.

An old tennis racket, threaded with stout cord, makes the best kind of a flower rack for trailing plants that need a frame. Cut off half the handle, sharpen the end and drive it into the flowerpot.

Better a paying young man than a promising one.

GENERAL ESTRADA, WHOSE FORCES ROUTED NATIONALS IN NICARAGUA

The rout of the national army by the insurgents and the election of Jose Madriz as president of the republic seem to have accomplished little change in the Nicaraguan situation. No one at Washington believes that the new president will pursue any other policy than that followed by Zelaya, his predecessor, and it is asserted that unless the United States forces take charge of affairs soon a state bordering upon anarchy will result. Mexico is pleased with the election of Madriz and will lend its moral support toward crushing General Juan Estrada, the insurgent leader, unless the marine and naval forces under Rear Admiral W. W. Kimball take a hand. The battle at Rama was the event that the war department had been waiting for, and it is probable an invasion will begin soon.

TAFT TO TACKLE GRAIN GAMBLERS

Believes Legitimate Industry Should Be Protected.

PRESIDENT CONSULTS HIS LEGAL ADVISERS

Will Probably Send a Special Message to Congress.

It Will Dwell on the Evils of Speculation in Farm Products—Representative Scott, of Kansas To Prepare Administration Bill. Commissioner Smith Makes an Investigation of the Exchanges.

Washington, Dec. 28—If a recommendation soon to be made to congress by President Taft is enacted into law, stock gambling in wheat corn, cotton and other farm products will be prohibited by federal laws. Mr. Taft is convinced that legitimate industry suffers from gambling in futures, and he believes the gullible public should be protected from his form of speculation Accordingly, he has decided to urge congress to adopt a law that will be as effective in dealing with stock gambling as is the laws aimed at the sale of lottery tickets and the great concerns engaged in the business.

The evil of stock gambling will form the subject of a conference soon to be held at the White House. The president is deeply interested and will make known his views on the

REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT.
Who Will Help President In Crusade Against Stock Gamblers

subject in a special message or in a report in a bill soon to be introduced by Representative Scott of Kansas, chairman of the house committee.

The leading lawyers of the administration have been consulted by President Taft in his consideration of stock gambling. He believes that the matter should be approached with the greatest care and a measure framed that will solve it without in any way interfering with the exchange, transfer and sale of stock by legitimate bodies.

Smith Has Investigated.

The government has given some attention to the question of stock gambling. The Cotton Exchange in New York and like bodies in other cities have been subjected to a close inquiry by the commissioner of corporations, Herbert Knox Smith. Incidentally the federal authorities have made inquiries as to gambling in futures as a general proposition, with the result that a decision has been reached that the government should deal with this question as far as lies within its power and authority.

After conference with Secretary of Agriculture Wilson and other officials of his department, Chairman Scott introduced a bill prohibiting the use of the mails for any transactions having to do with future gambling on the products of the farm.

Senator Benjamin R. Tillman of South Carolina, who has gone into training, has been in poor health for more than a year. Last year he made a trip to Europe. His health improved, but with it came a decided gain in weight, and he resolved on heroic measures. His success has been so marked that he has confided his remedy to some of his colleagues.

As soon as he awakes in the morning he throws his pillow to the floor and lies flat on his back in bed. Then he tries to kick the headboard. At first he couldn't reach it, but daily practice has limbered his muscles, and now he can hit the mahogany with his toes fifteen or twenty times in succession. Since he began this exercise Mr. Tillman has reduced his girth three inches. He has advised some of his colleagues to try the treatment, but has told them that it is not a "mollycoddle" exercise and will not produce results unless they aim to "bang the stuffing out of the dashboard."

The knocker never makes much of a hit.

MOTHER HELD FOR MURDERING BOYS

Whose Charred Bodies Are Found in Ruins of Home.

Cincinnati, O., Dec 28. The coroners of Brown and Hamilton are fighting for the privilege of holding the inquest over the bodies of Lemuel and Russell Sunnycalf, aged 6 and 3 years respectively, who were found dead after their home at Loveland had been burned down. Coroner Mitchell of Brown county took charge of the bodies, examined them and found that their skulls had been crushed.

Immediately their mother was arrested as their murderer the coroner saying she had killed them and then fired her home Later she said she had forgotten them when she ran out of the house. Then came further developments. The house in which the Sunnycalfs lived was on the line between Hamilton and Brown counties. The bed in which the two boys were found was on the same line. Coroner Coe of Hamilton county says the entrance is in this county and that he should have jurisdiction. Coroner Mitchell says their heads and the major parts of their bodies were in Brown county, and that therefore his jurisdiction rules.

Meanwhile the mother is in jail. She laughs and tells her jailer that her boys have gone on a vacation and will not bother her any more. Her husband has secured counsel for her, and says that she must have killed the children in a fit of insanity if indeed, she killed them at all.

Inherited.

"I entertained some friends at dinner the other night at a well known hotel in Boston" said a New Yorker, just returned from the Hub "and was served by an ebony giant on whom lampblack would make a white mark. It is the custom at that particular hostelry for the waiters to write their own orders. Upon receiving my bill I could scarcely check the items. The spelling bore no similarity to any other under the sun.

"'Sam,' I said, 'this is the worst spelling I ever saw' and added facetiously, 'where did you learn to spell?'

"Without moving a muscle Sam replied courteously, 'I reckon, boss, I must have inherited it from my ancestors'

"The laugh being on me, Sam got an extra tip."—New York Times

Vacation For Uncle Sam's Horses.

Uncle Sam will hereafter allow thirty days' vacation a year to the postoffice department horses in Washington. The animals are to be sent, a few at a time, to a fine, rich pasture in Maryland.

"Every employee of the government says the chief clerk in the postoffice department "receives thirty days' sick leave if necessary. I see no reason why the horses we use in the business of the department ought not to receive a rest or a vacation, and hereafter I am going to send each of the horses away for a thirty day period of rest. We can spare many of them in the summer, and this is the time they will appreciate a rest from the hot asphalt and welcome the green grass of the country and the shade of the trees"

Any varnish-covered wallpaper may be wiped with a damp cloth, but for other papers soft bread is the best cleaner Very heavy solid-colored papers may be very lightly gone over with fine sandpaper to remove smudges

WILLIAM WATSON AND HIS WIFE, WHO DENIES THAT HE IS INSANE

Havar[illegible] Dec. 28 - The English poet, William Watson, and his wife are here, at[illegible] Mrs. Watson has sent several cable despatches to friends in England and the United States denying the statement that her husband is insane The Watsons left New York suddenly after the poet gave out the sensational statement directed at the wife and daughter of Premier Asquith of Great Britain in explanation of his poem entitled "The Woman with the Serpent's Tongue" Robinson Watson, brother of the poet, is responsible for the statement that William is not of sound mind Mrs. Watson declares that it is a wicked attempt to ruin her husband and that a feud has existed between the brothers for years.

STORM LOSSES WILL BE HEAVY

Damage in Boston and Vicinity Reaches Millions.

COAST STREWN WITH WRECKS

Schooner Davis Palmer Hits Rocks and Eight Perish.

Lifesavers Do Heroic Work and Crews of Other Vessels Unable To Weather the Gale Are Saved by Them—Blizzard Claims Eighteen Victims in the City of New York Alone—A Liner Loses Rudder.

Boston, Dec 28 Monetary damage of from $3,000,000 to $5,000,000 was done in Boston and immediate vicinity by the storm and tidal wave that raged along the Atlantic coast.

A number of coastwise ships were stranded and two are believed to be total wrecks The most serious instance of marine disaster is the loss of the five-masted schooner Davis Palmer, which is believed to have been dashed to pieces at the entrance to Boston harbor and with the loss of all on board, eight men. The three-masted schooner Nataskel, bound from Georgetown, S. C. for Boston with a cargo of lumber, was unable to weather the gale in Massachusetts bay and was hurled on the beach at Scituate. Her crew of 10 men were saved by a volunteer crew, who dragged the Humane society's gun from a nearby house and succeeded in shooting a line into the rigging. The breeches buoy was then brought into play and all hands reached shore safely.

Two Vessels Ashore.

Two vessels went ashore at Vineyard Haven, but no lives were lost. The British schooner A. K. McLean, from Perth Amboy for Halifax, lost her anchors and went ashore at Lamberts Cove. On the north side of the island lies the schooner Maud Seward, from Port Reading for Nantucket. This craft was anchored off Bass river, but during the gale she parted her anchor chains and was driven by the storm for a distance of about 20 miles, until she fetched up on the rocks at Lamberts Cove. A surfboat from here saved the crew. Fears are entertained for the safety of the disabled schooner Pontiac, which passed Chatham in tow of a tug. The revenue cutter Gresham is searching for this craft.

Eighteen Dead In New York.

New York, Dec. 28—Eighteen persons in and around New York perished in the blizzard, or from accidents caused by it Six of this number died from exposure after being caught in snowdrifts. One of these were drowned and several were killed by teams.

YourLiver
Ask your doctor if he knows a better pill for a sluggish liver. Then follow his advice. He knows. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.
Better stir up your liver a little! Not too much, just a little, just enough to start the bile nicely. One of Ayer's Pills at bedtime is all you need. These pills act directly on the liver. Made for the treatment of constipation, biliousness, dyspepsia, sick-headache. Sold for over 60 years.

UNCLAIMED MAIL.

The following mail remains unclaimed in the local postoffice:

Men—Dr. James Armstrong, W. M. Bailey, Frank Crismore, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ciders, R. M. Dilworth, Bert Essex, F. M. Farley, F. P. Fetter, William Gruber, O. Lee Griffin, Cliff Glassmeyer, B. B. Hamilton, Andrew Hill, C. E. Hoberman, Harry Jones, Harrison Raymond Koch, R. R. Lemley, I. N. Moore, M. R. McKinnie, J. D. Price, William Randolph, Ralph Richards, John Ryan, Harry H. Ross, Fred Rehfeldt, E. G. Strant, James Stewart, Gidd Thoman, Alfred Walker, Louise Winslow.

Women—Mrs. Lizzie Armstrong, Mrs. Ada Berlin, Mrs. Omer Bright, Mrs Sadie Brandal, Mrs. Minnie Davis, Mrs. Emma Eichman, Mrs. M. D. Griffin, Mrs. Henry Hayes, Lou Henry, Mabel Hamilton, Mrs Myers, mother of Frank Myers, Ida Newman, Emma Nell, Mrs. Ed. Resler, Mary Thasker, Ella M. Talmage, Addie Williams, E. G. Zeppenfield.

Firms—Ajax Novelty company.

Foreign—Maotonia Antonino, Sebastiano Caprino, Ltrain Samos, Antonino Cilardo, Carmelo Bianco, Giacomo Rolo.

Notice—When calling, please say that mail was advertised.

M. B. Dickerson, P. M.

Following cheap advice is apt to prove expensive.

LEGAL NOTICE.

In the Court of Common Pleas, Marion Count, Ohio.

Dora A. Corbin, Plaintiff, vs. Harry E. Corbin, Defendant.

Harry E. Corbin, whose place of residence is unknown, will take notice that Dora A. Corbin, his wife, on the 29th day of November, 1909, filed her petition in the Court of Common Pleas of Marion County, Ohio, praying for divorce and alimony, alleging as grounds of said divorce that said defendant has been guilty of wilful absence from plaintiff for more than three years.

You are required to answer said petition by the 15th day of January, 1910.

DORA A. CORBIN.
Jacoby & Donithen, her attorneys.
2-tu-wk-6

LEGAL NOTICE.

William A. Weisman, a minor under the age of fourteen years, and whose place of residence is at Spokane, Spokane county, and state of Washington, will take notice that George E. Waddell filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Marion county, Ohio, on August 31st, 1909, in case number 12471, his certain petition against Bessie I. Weisman, William A. Weisman, and others, defendants therin, praying that an issue be made up and tried as to whether a certain paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of George W. Rupp, is the last will and testament of George W. Rupp, deceased, and that said paper writing purporting to be the said last will and testament be set aside and held for naught and that said will be found and declared not to be the last will and testament of the said George W. Rupp.

That said defendant, William A. Weisman, is required to answer the petition of the said plaintiff by January 22nd, 1910.

GEORGE E. WADDELL.
By H. Edmund Hill, his attorney.
6-s-wk-6

ROAD NOTICE.

Notice is herby given that a petition will be presented to the Commissioners of Marion county, at their regular session to be held January 3, 1910, at 1 o'clock p. m., praying for the establishment of a county road on the line, to-wit:—Beginning on the east and west half section line of section 33, Marion township, where said section line crosses the Prospect pike; thence east on the half section line of said section and continuing said course on the east and west half section line of said section 34, said township, to the northeast corner of the 106-acre tract of land owned by G. F. Barks and there terminating, a total distance of about three-fourths of a mile.

G. F. Barks, B. Waddel, J. H. Berry, J. W. Myers, S. O. Young, Sam Kraner, Elizabeth Barks, J. V. Wilson, Margaret Smeltzer, C. B. Freeman, Bertha E. McDonald, Guy M. Dalton, W. L. Lucas, Fred Firstenberger, A. E. Irey, Susie Knotter, S. E. Ham, R. P. Perry. 6-s-wk-3

SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.

The School Examiners of Marion county, Ohio, will meet for the examination of teachers at Central school building Saturday

January 8th.
February 5th.
March 5th.
April 2d.
May 7th.
June 4th.

Examinations commence at 8:30 a. m. and no applications will be received after 10 a. m. All examinations will be written and positively no private examinations will be granted. A fee of 50 cents will be charged on admission to the examination and each applicant will furnish an envelope, stamped and addressed to him or herself in which a certificate or notice of failure will be forwarded. Applicants will be graded on a scale of 100. No certificate will be granted when the grade in any branch falls below 70. An average of 75 with a minimum of 70 secures a certificate for one year. 80 with a minimum of 75 secures a certificate of two years. 90 with a minimum of 85 secures a certificate for three years. 95 with a minimum of 90 secures a certificate for 5 years. An average of 98 with a minimum of 95 secures a certificate for 8 years.

Success in the school room will also be taken into consideration in determining the class of certificate.

R. B. Bell, Pres
W. P. Moloney, Vice Pres
S. W. Almendinger, clerk.

You can safely entrust the laundering of the Christmas linens to
ANTHONY'S LAUNDRY

Low Prices
That will reduce your living expenses materially.

Ham's tubular lanterns	48c
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10 quart tin pails	10c
10 qt. tin pails, heavy goods,	20c
Painted slop buckets with lid,	25c
Galvanized slop bucket with lid,	39c
Large foot tubs	25c
12 qt. enameled water buckets	49c
Granite dish pans	25c
Large size wood tubs	79c
Meat grinders,	98c, $1.20, $1.45 and $1.95
Butcher knives	15, 25, 35, 50, 60c
Galvanized buckets	15, 20 and 25c
Dipper, all sizes,	5, 10, 19 and 25c

THE ARK STORE
Cor. Main & Church Sts.
J. B. LAYTON.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION TICKETS
AT REDUCED RATES TO ALL POINTS IN OHIO, INDIANA, MCHIGAN, ILLINOIS, WESTERN NEW YORK AND PENNSYLVANIA WILL BE SOLD DEC. 24, 25, 31 AND JAN. 1, GOOD RETURNING UNTIL JAN. 3, BY THE
Hocking Valley Ry.
Full information will be furnished on application to any ticket agent Hocking Valley Railway.

TRAVELERS' GUIDE.

HOCKING VALLEY.

North—*7 a. m.; 10:15 a. m. 4:20 p. m.; 11:20 p. m.; 6:10 p. m. Logan to Marion only.

South—5:45 a. m.; 7:20 a. m.; 10:15 a. m.; *1:35 p. m.; 7:25 p. m.

* Daily except Sunday.

BIG FOUR.

Eastbound—9:25 a. m.; 12:25 noon; 7.30 p. m.; 11:19 p. m; 5:27 p. m.

Westbound—5:53 a. m.; 10:05 a. m.; 1:55 p. m.; 7:30 p. m; 4:27 p. m.

CHICAGO & ERIE.

West—10:25 a. m; 12:32 a. m.; *†4:40 p. m., *a7:10 a. m.

East—5:18 a. m.; 6:50 a. m.; 12:40 p. m.; ‡5:20 p. m.; 6,12 p. m.; 11:48 p. m.

ERIE.

Southwest—10:27 a. m.; 4:10 p. m; 12:45 a. m.

East—12:53 p. m.; 12:01 a. m.; 6:20 p. m.

* Daily except Sunday. † runs to only. ‡ runs Huntington to Marion Lima only. a runs to Huntington only.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Northbound—*12:10 p. m.; *6:25 p m; †7:55 p. m.

Southbound—a10:11 a. m.; *7:10 p m

*Daily except Sunday. †Sunday only aDaily.

C., D. & M. ELECTRIC.

South—Cars leave every hour for Columbus from 6 a. m. to 9 p. m. and till 11 p. m. for Delaware, excepting the car which leaves at 10:15 a. m.

North—Cars leave Columbus on the half hour from 6:30 a. m. till 7:30 p. m. The last car leaves at 8:40 p. m.

C., M. & B. ELECTRIC.

North—Cars leave Marion for Bucyrus at 6, 8, 10 a. m., 12 m., 2, 4, 6 and 8 p. m.

South—Cars arrive from Bucyrus at 7 55, 9:55 and 11:55 a. m.; 1:55, 3 55, 5:55, 7:55 and 9:55 p. m.

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THE LONG LOOKED FOR EVENT LASTS 20 DAYS

IN the three years this store has been before the public, we have won its confidence for square dealing, with no misrepresentation of merchandise; for best values and a reputation for always selling the most stylish up-to-date apparel. We have but one method of conducting our Semi-Annual Sale—and that is told in the head lines for when this store announces a sale, it does so in no half hearted way. There's no sliding scale of discounts, no attempt to deceive, the same big reduction of

1-3 Off on all Suits, Overcoats and Furnishings

ALL SUITS 1/3 OFF

$15.00 Suits	$10.00
18.00 Suits	12.00
20.00 Suits	13.34
25.00 Suits	16.67

FURNISHINGS 1/3 OFF

Sweaters, Gloves, Caps, N-ckwear Hosiery, Hats—everything included.

The same plain figure price marks remain — and we are anxious to prove that we will give you the biggest money's worth in Marion.

OUR STOCK CLEARING TIME YOUR MONEY SAVING TIME

THE GOLDEN EAGLE CLOTHES SHOP

SALE STARTED DECEMBER 28---ENDS JANUARY 19, 1910

OVERCOATS 1/3 OFF.

$15 00 Overcoats	$10.00
18 00 Overcoats	12.00
20 00 Overcoats	13.34
25 00 Overcoats	16.67
30 00 Overcoats	20.00

RAINCOATS.

$15 00 Raincoats	$10.00
20.00 Raincoats	13.34
25.00 Raincoats	16.67

LEVI'S VISION OF THE REAL THINGS IN LIFE

One of the Men Loathed by the Jews of Old

HIRES HIMSELF TO THE ROMAN SERVICE

He Acts as a Tax Gatherer for King Herod—He Wakens to the Beautiful Things in Life and Forgets His Former Worldly Diversions—This Writes of Sunday-School Lesson

For the year 1910 [illegible] 000,000 members of the Sunday schools of the world will study weekly the gospel according to St Matthew No other piece of literature in existence will receive such close and wide spread attention The [illegible] literary item of magnitude This biography, for such it is, was not written by a trained literary worker but by a business man It shows the practical mind and diligent carefulness of a man of affairs

Levi was the author's name as he sat in the tax gatherer's office on Capernaum highway taking toll for Herod from the fishermen and from the rich caravans that traveled between Egypt and the East He knew all the wiles of the tax dodgers and he could squeeze the very last penny of customs dues out of the reluctant wallets of merchantmen Of course he was hated and despised the Jews loathed the men who hired themselves to Rome as publicans but the business paid and [illegible] of his snug fortune Levi could afford to shrug his shoulders over the unconcealed disdain of the people

A Call and a Career

One day Levi got a vision of life's higher, nobler possibilities even as many business men are catching the same vision today In this new light he saw that money does not make amends for dwarfed life His deliverance and transformation and new name came through the [illegible] ing of an unconventional Rabbi named Jesus And when the latter one day bade him join the little group of learners immediately associated with Himself Levi straightway left all and followed Him In answering that call he entered upon a new and higher plane of life men are elevated only as they heed and answer the summons to serve the concerns of the spirit

Apparently this prosperous publican never regretted having for them his profitable business Money ceased to have its old value in his eyes His first act of discipleship was to give a lavish feast to his new Master and associates Then he became an itinerant sharer of the fortunes of Jesus He was not a front rank apostle We do not find mention of any signal words or deeds done by him Steadily though his spirit was being refined and he was being made ready for the writing of the Life of his Lord He wrote as a Hebrew of the Hebrews limning clearly the Messiah of the Old Testament Nevertheless he could not help producing a universal gospel because he believed Jesus to be the Saviour of the world It would be abundantly worth while to trace the development of the character of this business man author and of the similar effect upon every other man of allegiance to a great ideal But we must hasten to the portion of the story set apart for the present w[illegible]

The Makers Ready

A picturesque bit of Oriental life is the [illegible] or outrunner who precedes the vehicle of a person of importance I have seen him in Egypt India and China That function was fulfilled by John the Baptizer He was the forerunner the preparer the maker ready All his great life was to be fulfilled in introducing One greater than himself Some persons have thought his place in the New Testament history a pathetic one It really is glorious

Most of us are merely [illegible] ready A sort of John the Baptist career is the best that can be expected by the average person The mother unless she be bitten by that madness which makes her subordinate home and family to a career for herself in church or society or literature or politics must be content to [illegible] her [illegible] in making smooth the way for husband and children through them she serves the world The teacher is only a John the Baptist to a pupil The salesman and broker keep [illegible] merely [illegible] the output of another Church officers do making ready work That the message may have free course [illegible] leaders in the religious denomination are but preparers for the [illegible] Evangelist The [illegible] who [illegible] Christian work find [illegible] relation He [illegible] like John we can say concerning the [illegible] He must increase I must decrease

What matter I or they
Mine or another['s] day
So the right word be said
And life the sweeter made

The secret of peace [illegible] as well as of achievement is to find one's own work and to fling one's life into it knowing well that the success of the work is the success of all who contribute to it

Heralds of a Better Day

Our own time seems to be marked by a preparatory period It has been making a way for some great event or era Things appear to be converging Highroads of all sorts have been wondrously built to some Coming One Consider the realm of religion alone A multitude of agencies have been making ready for the new day of tolerance [illegible] and unity Railroads have been laid down over the whole earth and waterways [illegible] The telegraph the wireless [illegible] ship the newspaper [illegible] interweaving of lines of communication the unification of international laws and usages the amplified flow of travel leaving no remote corner of the earth untouched — what mean these modern preparers and heralds if not to rear a highway for the entrance into acknowledged sovereignty of the King

This sense of the significance of our own time as well as of the [illegible] readiness of every life's mission is seriously needed today There are two strongly flowing tides discernible in our modern life One sets back [illegible] thoughtfulness simplicity and spirituality the other flows swiftly toward restlessness superficiality materialism The [illegible] the more apparent [illegible] Evidences of it are the worship of wealth the [illegible] pursuit of diversion the [illegible] luxury in personal and domestic [illegible] and [illegible] the popularity of problem plays and novels and the vogue of such [illegible] Anywhere but where we are Nothing can [illegible] and the [illegible]

[illegible] this [illegible] thing [illegible] John the Baptist [illegible]

Anchorite in the Wilderness

The [illegible] baked [illegible] is the life which [illegible] The [illegible] and many young [illegible] they [illegible] of [illegible] physical and mental [illegible] him a whole system [illegible] trades [illegible] In [illegible] days men to [illegible]

John the Baptist was [illegible] in the wilderness to learn the prophet trade He dressed in camel's hair and ate locusts and honey not [illegible] to be [illegible] or to make the crowd [illegible] but simply because that was the natural way for a poor man to live in the wilderness He stripped life of all its nonessential trappings The majestic calm of the solitude filled and steadied his soul Could even [illegible] have become a prophet amid the complexity of [illegible] city? Somehow [illegible] this lesson has filled my own heart with a great longing for the [illegible] of the Libyan desert I would be once more on the swaying back of a dromedary with a contemplative Arab by my side and with time and inclination for undistracted thought amid nature's teaching silences

The majestic rugged old figure of John calls us back to the duty of taking time for the things worth while We putter too much and accomplish too little [illegible] be brave enough for [illegible] Dr H Clay Trumbull wrote an editorial on The Duty of Being [illegible] Good [illegible] to [illegible] social [illegible] for his [illegible] but he left [illegible] messages which [illegible] Who will be [illegible] follow John the [illegible] wilderness to learn [illegible] own life [illegible] in the [illegible] world of men

[illegible] is in the [illegible] though [illegible]

Man with Something to Say

In the wilderness [illegible] realization and [illegible] Some preach [illegible] the camel's hair [illegible] leather girdle and [illegible] without the [illegible] that the world will [illegible] In the remotest [illegible] church [illegible] Why [illegible] empty [illegible] message [illegible] pulpit [illegible] mind [illegible] have [illegible] God [illegible] the multitude [illegible] It was [illegible] they [illegible] [illegible] there was [illegible] Repent [illegible] warning [illegible] living at the [illegible] religion, ready to cut

they prove unworthy of their Father And then there was the promise of the greater One who was to come John [illegible] his time Christ [illegible] was [illegible] it is the supreme [illegible] as Richard Watson Gilder who recently passed away so beautifully wrote

If Jesus Christ is a man
And only a man I say
That of all mankind I cleave to him
And to him will I cleave alway
But if Jesus Christ is God
And the only God I swear
I will follow him through heaven and hell
The earth the sea the air

UNHAMPERED BY YEARS HE IS STILL AT WORK

James L Hyde Celebrates Ninety-Sixth Anniversary

The many friends of James L Hyde a comrade in of the [illegible] W S [illegible] residing at Lincoln Illinois will be pleased to note that he recently celebrated the ninety sixth anniversary of his birth in the best of health and spirits Despite his advanced age Mr Hyde is the treasurer of the city in which he resides and is as active and energetic in a community as a young man He is thoroughly imbued with the gospel of hard work and never permits himself to pass a day in idleness

Mr Hyde is a frequent visitor in this city and has many warm friendships throughout the city and county

Salaries Fixed

At a meeting of the county commissioners Friday afternoon the salaries of the land appraisers elected in November was fixed at $[illegible] a day Under the law the appraiser can not receive less than that amount The appraisers [illegible] less than five dollars [illegible] and [illegible] numbers of [illegible] threaten to resign

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SOLOMON HOME IS SCENE OF MARRIAGE

Miss Solomon and Mr R D Irvin Are United

Meeker Dec 27—[Special]—Miss Leona May Solomon daughter of Mr and Mrs J A Solomon of three and one half miles south of Marion was united in marriage to Mr Ransom Dwight Irvin of Meeker Christmas evening at the home of the bride's parents Promptly at [illegible] o'clock the bridal couple attended by Mr and Mrs Benjamin Solomon cousins of the bride took their places in the front parlor where in the presence of about fifty friends and relatives Rev F A Sutton of LaRue read the marriage service The bride was attired in a beautiful gown of white mull

Following congratulations a four course dinner was served The house was beautifully decorated throughout with green and red the Christmas colors

Mrs Irvin is an accomplished young woman and a favorite among her friends Until recently she clerked in the Racket store in Marion Mr Irvin is a prosperous young farmer of this vicinity and a highly esteemed young man

Mr and Mrs Irvin will reside on the groom's farm near here

A DINNER IS GIVEN AT ZEIG RESIDENCE

A Company of Friends and Relatives Entertained

A handsomely spread Christmas dinner was given at the home of Mr and Mrs Peter Zeig three miles west of Green Camp in honor of the children and the grandchildren of the aged couple Saturday Shortly after dinner the doors of the parlor were thrown open and a huge tree was presented on which was hung presents for old and young

After the distribution of gifts the remainder of the day was spent with games and music

Those present were Mr and Mrs [illegible] Bricker Mr and Mrs P [illegible] Zieg Mr and Mrs Gus Hoffman Mr and Mrs William [illegible] Misses Clara [illegible] Mayme Parker Laura Zeig [illegible] Bricker Mary Zeig [illegible] Zeig [illegible] Bricker [illegible] Zeig Messrs Charles Bricker and George Zeig

MRS JACOB KELLER REACHES EXTREME AGE

Dies at the Home of Her Son North of Caledonia

Caledonia Dec [illegible]7 [Special] Mrs Catherine [illegible] Keller widow of Jacob Keller died at the home of her son Christian about three miles north of here Friday The deceased was born in Germany and was nearly ninety two years of age She was married to Jacob Keller in 1844 and came with her family to this country in 18[illegible] After a residence of two years at Sandusky City they moved to the community in which she died

Mrs Keller was the mother of five children But two are living They are Christian Keller and Mrs Sarah Swisher

The funeral services were held at the German Reformed church at Caledonia at 10 o'clock Sunday morning and the remains were interred in the Buchlacher cemetery

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EVENTS IN 1909

Record of the Year From January to December.

HISTORY DAY BY DAY.

Notable Happenings Throughout the World.

NAMES ON THE DEATH ROLL.

Discovery of the North Pole—Items of Miscellaneous Interest—Destruction by Accidents, Shipwreck, Storm and Flood—Sporting Events A Chronological Review.

The old [illegible] year 1909 which saw the discovery of the north pole was comparatively free from great disasters so far as the United States is concerned. Outside of the Cherry mine horror, the sinking of the steamship Republic and the usual fires and floods nature dealt leniently with this country, but in the world at large added the earthquake in Persia, the flood at Monterey, Mexico, and some minor catastrophes to her book of death.

By far the greatest event of the last twelve months was the discovery of the north pole. On Sept 1 Dr Frederick A Cook came out of the north and announced that he had reached the goal on April 21 1908. Six days later Commander Robert E Peary emerged with the news that he had made the discovery on April 6 1909. Peary's papers were approved by the National Geographic society, but doubt was expressed as to Cook's claims. Several months before the coming of Peary and Cook Lieutenant Shackleton returned to tell of a dash to within 111 miles of the south pole.

Other important events of the year were the inauguration of President Taft, the departure of Theodore Roosevelt on a hunting trip in Africa, the passage of the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill, the 13,000 mile tour of Mr Taft over the country, the most romantic feature of which was the meeting with President Diaz on the borders of Mexico, the return to Hampton Roads of the sixteen American battleships after their cruise around the world and the decision of the United States circuit court dissolving the Standard Oil trust. In foreign lands the occurrences of chief historic interest were the deposing of Abdul Hamid II, the triumph of progressive government in Turkey and a new ruler in Belgium.

The year saw the flying age fairly ushered in, the notable aeronautic feats having been the crossing of the English channel, the triumphs of Count Zeppelin with his dirigible in which he made various long flights and once carried twenty-seven passengers and the flights of the Wright brothers, including the rounding of the Statue of Liberty and Grant's tomb at New York and the high ascension of 1,600 feet in Germany.

As a memorial year 1909 eclipsed all others owing to the galaxy of great men born 100 years before. Centenaries widely observed included Lincoln, Darwin, Tennyson, Poe, Gladstone, Fitzgerald, Holmes, Chopin, Mendelssohn, Samuel Johnson (two hundredth) and John Calvin (four hundredth). The one hundredth anniversary of the death of Thomas Paine was also observed. In addition several great celebrations were held, including the Hudson-Fulton in New York, the tercentenary of the discovery of Lake Champlain and the Portola festival at San Francisco.

The year's deaths were notable, including in the world of letters such names as Algernon Charles Swinburne, Edward Everett Hale, George Meredith, F Marion Crawford and Richard Watson Gilder; in public life, Ethan Allen Hitchcock, David A De Armond, Governor John A Johnson, Justice Peckham of the United States supreme court and Prince Ito of Japan; in army and navy circles, Admirals Rojestvensky and Cervera and Generals Henry C Corbin and O O Howard, U S A; in finance, Edward H Harriman and Henry H Rogers; in journalism, Theodore Barth and Colonel A K McClure; in the drama, Coquelin and Modjeska; in scientific research, Cesare Lombroso and Professor Simon Newcomb, and in the ranks of royalty Leopold II of Belgium.

JANUARY

6 Fire The Illinois club with its gallery of fine paintings destroyed in Chicago loss $[illegible]

8 Political President Roosevelt's message on the secret service rejected by the house of representatives

10 Accident [illegible] miners killed by gas explosion in [illegible] Leiter's colliery at Zeigler Ill

12 Accident [illegible] in the Lick Branch mine [illegible] field W Va caused the death of [illegible] miners

14 Accident [illegible] damp explosion in the [illegible] coal mine at [illegible] Hungary caused the death of [illegible] men

Obituary Admiral Rojestvensky commander of the Russian Baltic fleet which was annihilated by Togo's ships May [illegible] in the sea of Japan in St Petersburg aged [illegible]

16 Fatal Accident [illegible] killed and many injured in a collision on the Denver and Rio Grande near Dotsero Colo

1[illegible] Fire [illegible] loss on 218 autos in storage destroyed

1[illegible] Fire At North Chelmsford Mass loss of nearly $[illegible] by fire in the woolen mills

Polar Research Lieut E H Shackleton reached latitude 88 23 about 111 miles from the south pole

Poe Centenary The 100th anniversary of the birth of Edgar Allan Poe celebrated

20 Cuba Gen Jose Miguel Gomez proclaimed president of the republic

Political Secretary of State Elihu Root elected United States senator by the New York legislature

21 Accident Explosion followed by fire in temporary crib of a tunnel under Lake Michigan off Chicago; about [illegible] workmen lost their lives

2[illegible] Fire At Galveston flames on the wharfs caused loss of $500,000

23 Shipwreck Off Nantucket White Star liner Republic rammed and sunk by Italian liner Florida; [illegible] deaths and remarkable rescue of over [illegible] imperiled passengers

Earthquake 60 villages destroyed and 6,000 to 8,000 lives lost in the province of Luristan Persia

27 Obituary Benoit Constant Coquelin noted French actor in Paris aged 67

28 Cuba The reins of government turned over to President Gomez by the American governor general Magoon

29 Fire St Paul loss of $500,000 by fire in a department store

Personal President Elect Taft arrived at Colon Panama

30 Earthquake Severe shocks in Spain

31 Obituary Miss Martha Finley author of the Elsie Books at Elkton Md aged 81

FEBRUARY

1 Personal President Elect William H Taft formally opened the Pacific end of the Panama canal

Shipwreck British steamer Clan Ranald lost off the coast of Australia, the captain and [illegible] sailors drowned

2 Obituary John Gilmer Speed journalist and author at Mendham N J aged [illegible]

6 The Cruising Fleet The battleships sailed from Gibraltar homeward bound

8 Obituary Catullus Mendes noted French poet in Paris

Personal King Edward VII received in Berlin the first visit of a British king to the German capital in [illegible] years

Political France and Germany signed a Morocco pact

12 Lincoln Centenary The 100th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln celebrated

15 Fire Disaster Between 200 and 300 persons burned to death and scores injured in a fire which destroyed the Flores theater in Acapulco Mexico

17 Obituary Geronimo noted Apache chief and raider died a prisoner of war at Fort Sill

19 Obituary Grand Duke Vladimir uncle of the czar of Russia in St Petersburg aged [illegible]; Rear Admiral Charles S Cotton U S N retired at Nice France aged [illegible]

Convention National congress of mothers opened in New Orleans

20 Disaster at Sea The Hamburg South American liner Presidente Roca burned off [illegible] Valdes; loss (owners report) 9 lives (first report [illegible] of the passengers lost)

21 Obituary Carroll D Wright soldier statistician and educator at Worcester Mass aged [illegible]

22 The Cruising Fleet The battleships reached Hampton Roads

23 Storm [illegible] killed and many injured by a tornado which swept over eastern Arkansas

25 Obituary Rev Theodore Cuyler noted minister and author in Brooklyn aged 8[illegible]

27 Sporting American bowling congress opened in Pittsburg

MARCH

1 Obituary E J (Lucky) Baldwin well known turfman at Arcadia Cal aged 81

2 Sporting Ora Morningstar won the championship of the world at 18.2 balk line billiards defeating George F Slosson the old champion in New York city [illegible]00 to [illegible]

4 Political Inauguration of William Howard Taft as 27th president of the United States. The 60th congress ended.

Storm Fierce windstorm and rain in the Atlantic states

[illegible] Suit The publishers and one editor of the New York World indicted by the federal grand jury in New York city

6 Political President Taft nominated his cabinet as follows: Philander C Knox secretary of state; Franklin MacVeagh treasury; Jacob M Dickinson war; George von L Meyer navy; Richard A Ballinger interior; James Wilson agriculture; Charles Nagel commerce and labor; Frank H Hitchcock postmaster general; George W Wickersham attorney general

Obituary John H Starin pioneer in river and harbor transportation in New York city aged 84

8 Storm Disaster 23 killed and 74 injured in a tornado at Brinkley Ark

13 Obituary Maj E L G Zalinski U S A retired noted inventor and engineer in New York city aged [illegible]

Standard Oil Railway rebate case decided in favor of Standard Oil in Chicago

Storm 100 houses wrecked by a cyclone at Cuthbert Ga, [illegible] deaths

12 Black Hand Lieutenant Petrosino noted Italian detective in New York city assassinated at Palermo Italy

15 Political Special session of the 61st congress opened; Joseph G Cannon elected speaker of the house

Weston's Walk Edward P Weston started from New York on a walk to San Francisco

16 Obituary [illegible] Courtney Lang author of [illegible] and other novels at Lynchburg Va

17 Tariff bill framed by the Republican members of the ways and means committee introduced in the house by Sereno E Payne chairman of the committee

20 The Cooper Trial Col Duncan B Cooper and Robin J Cooper found guilty of the murder of ex-Senator Carmack in Nashville [illegible]

21 Aeronautics Count Zeppelin's [illegible] record [illegible] carrying [illegible] persons [illegible]

23 Personal Theodore Roosevelt ex president sailed from New York for Naples on the Hamburg-American liner Hamburg

Obituary Col William Lamb soldier editor and lawyer, hero of the Confederate defense of Fort Fisher in Norfolk Va aged [illegible]

24 Personal Admiral Lord Charles Beresford of the British navy retired after [illegible] years service

29 Convention Southern commercial congress met in New Orleans

Political Agreement reached between Austria and Servia effecting peace in the Balkans

31 Convention The [illegible]th annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal council met in Baltimore

APRIL

1 Cuba The last troops of the United States army left the island

3 Fire At Fort Worth Tex [illegible] blocks destroyed entailing a loss of $[illegible]

Sporting Oxford won the [illegible] annual [illegible] Cambridge [illegible]

Obituary Vice Admiral Cervera commander of the Spanish fleet at Santiago in 1898 at Puerto Real Spain aged [illegible]

Polar Research Commander Robert E Peary U S N reached the north pole

[illegible] Storm Disaster 18 deaths in a hurricane which swept [illegible] from Mississippi to [illegible]

8 Obituary Helena Modjeska Polish tragedienne at Bay City Cal aged [illegible]

9 Obituary F Marion Crawford novelist at Sorrento Italy aged [illegible]; Ethan Allen Hitchcock ex secretary of the interior in Washington aged [illegible]

10 Obituary Algernon Charles Swinburne poet and essayist at Putney England aged 72

Political The Payne tariff bill passed the house of representatives by a vote of 21[illegible] to [illegible]

11 Fire Disaster 6 deaths in a fire at Lenox Mass, loss nearly $500,000

Financial Troubles Ennis & Stoppani brokers in New York and Chicago failed for $1,000,000

13 Turkey Turkish garrison in Constantinople mutinied and expelled the Young Turks ministry

14 Fire At Rochester N Y 3 churches 4[illegible] dwellings and a business block destroyed, loss nearly $500,000

Obituary Ex-United States Senator M C Butler of South Carolina at Columbia S C aged [illegible]

18 Political Ultimatum of Young Turks to parliament

19 Convention National Society Daughters of the American Revolution met in Washington

21 Storm Disaster 7 persons killed and property valued at $1,000,000 ruined by a wind storm at Cleveland

23 Obituary Ex-United States Senator William M Stewart of Nevada in Washington aged 8[illegible]

24 Turkey Young Turks gained control in Constantinople making Sultan Abdul Hamid prisoner in his palace

25 Obituary Charles Warren Stoddard author and educator in Monterey Cal aged [illegible]

2[illegible] Convention 5th congress of the International Woman's Suffrage alliance opened in London

27 Abdul Hamid II of Turkey formally deposed by the Constitutional party (Young Turks) and his brother Mohammed Reschad chosen successor

Obituary Heinrich Conried impresario former director of the Metropolitan Opera House New York in Meran Austria aged 54

28 Obituary Ex-Governor Frederick Holbrook of Vermont at Brattleboro aged [illegible]; Olive Logan former actress author and lecturer near Sutton Surrey England aged [illegible]

29 Convention Annual meeting of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution opened in Baltimore

Turkey 50 leaders of the mutiny of April 13 in Constantinople executed for conspiracy

Fire In Chicago $1,000,000 loss by the burning of Elevator D of the Illinois Central

30 Personal Daughter born to Queen Wilhelmina of Holland

Storm Disaster Over 200 dead and millions in property destroyed by tornadoes which swept the south including Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Georgia

MAY

2 Convention National peace congress opened in Chicago

3 Judicial The commodity clause of the Hepburn act declared constitutional by the United States supreme court

8 Sporting St Yves won the international derby in New York covering [illegible] miles and [illegible] yards in 2 hours 41 minutes and [illegible] seconds

9 Obituary Augusta Evans Wilson author of "Beulah," "St Elmo," "Vashti" and other popular novels of southern life at Mobile Ala aged [illegible]

10 Political Mohammed V of Turkey invested with the sword of sovereignty at Constantinople

11 Boat Disaster [illegible] deaths by the sinking of a ferry launch on the Ohio river near Pittsburg

12 Quarry Accident 1,000 pounds of dynamite exploded at South Bethlehem near Albany N Y causing the loss of [illegible] lives

13 Sporting King James won the Metropolitan handicap at Belmont park New York

17 Personal Gen Stoessel and Admiral Nebogatoff Russian officers who were serving sentence for neglect of duty in the late war pardoned by the czar

18 Financial [illegible] & Co New York brokers and bankers went into bankruptcy owing $1,[illegible]

Obituary George Meredith the English novelist in London aged [illegible]

Personal Dr Charles William Eliot retired from the presidency of Harvard after 40 years in that office

Fire Loss of $1,000,000 by the destruction of a manufacturing block at Akron O

Convention National good roads congress met in Baltimore

19 Obituary Henry H Rogers financier and director of the Standard Oil company in New York aged 69

Personal Abbott Lawrence Lowell assumed the presidency of Harvard university

26 Maj Israel C Greene captor of John Brown at Harpers Ferry in 1859 at Mitchell S D aged [illegible]

Sporting King Edward's Minoru won the English Derby

29 Storm Disasters [illegible] persons killed and 40 injured in Oklahoma by tornadoes. Many lives lost in a cyclone which swept over western Minnesota and North Dakota

30 Tornado Over 30 persons killed and upward of 100 injured in a windstorm at Zephyr Tex

31 Fire At Porta Costa Cal loss of $1,000,000 by the burning of the Nevada grain docks

JUNE

1 World's Fair The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition opened at Seattle

[illegible] Obituary Theodor Barth noted German publicist and authority on American affairs at [illegible] aged [illegible]

[illegible] Sporting King James won the Brooklyn handicap at Gravesend

Balloon race started at Indianapolis for distance and endurance contests

6 Obituary Col Alexander K McClure noted journalist long prominent in Pennsylvania politics in Philadelphia aged [illegible]

8 Convention United Confederate Veterans met at Memphis. Meeting of the American Medical association at Atlantic City

[illegible] Convention National conference of charities and correction met at Buffalo

10 Obituary Rev Dr Edward Everett Hale distinguished clergyman author and chaplain of the United States senate at Roxbury Mass aged [illegible]

Storm Disaster 11 persons killed and scores injured in a series of tornadoes which swept over Texas

11 Earthquake Disaster Towns of St Cannat and [illegible] in France ruined, [illegible] deaths

1[illegible] Marine Disaster Russian submarine boat Kambala sunk in the Black sea carrying down [illegible] of the crew

13 Sporting W K Vanderbilt's Negofol won the French Derby at Chantilly

14 Obituary Dr Alfonso Penna president of Brazil at Rio Janeiro

1[illegible] Obituary Lucien Bonaparte Wyse French engineer connected with the French Panama canal enterprise at Toulon; Louis Prang known as the father of lithographing in Los Angeles aged [illegible]

1[illegible] Convention International Council of Women met at Toronto

Obituary [illegible] noted author and [illegible] at Brookline Mass aged [illegible]

19 Obituary Frederick de Martens noted Russian scholar and diplomat, delegate to the Portsmouth peace conference, in St Petersburg aged 64

Railroad Accident [illegible] persons killed in a [illegible] collision of electric cars at [illegible]

Financial Troubles Leeds & Catlin dealers in phonographs failed for $1,000,000 in New York

Personal Daughter born to Queen Victoria of Spain

2[illegible] Boat Accident [illegible] tourists including [illegible] Americans drowned by the swamping of a rowboat on Lake Killarney

Mining Accident Gas explosion caused the death of 1[illegible] miners at Wehrum Pa

24 Obituary Sarah Orne Jewett writer of stories depicting New England life at South Berwick Me aged [illegible]

Sporting Fitzherbert won the Suburban handicap at Sheepshead Bay New York

[illegible] Fire Fort William Henry hotel noted hostelry on Lake George destroyed, loss about $[illegible]

27 Sporting Verdun, Rothschild's [illegible], won the Grand Prix over the Longchamps course near Paris

29 Convention American Library association met at Bretton Woods N H

30 Obituary Carrie Burnham Kilgore pioneer woman lawyer at Swarthmore [illegible] aged [illegible]

JULY

1 Earthquake Severe shocks at Reggio and Messina, scene of the devastation in last December

Convention 41st annual meeting of the National Woman Suffrage association opened in Seattle

Sporting Harvard won the varsity race over Yale at New London

2 Sporting Cornell won the varsity eight oared race at Poughkeepsie

3 Champlain Celebration Ceremonies in honor of the discovery of Lake Champlain in 1609 began on the Vermont shores of the lake

6 Convention The American Institute of Instruction met at Castine Me

Sporting The champion polo cup which had been held in England [illegible] years was won back by the Meadowbrook (N Y) team

7 Flood High water swept down the Missouri valley causing the loss of 11 lives and great damage to property

Conventions Antivivisection congress opened in London. International convention of the Christian Endeavor society at St Paul. The Epworth league met at Seattle

8 Political [illegible] senate passed its amended tariff bill by a vote of 4[illegible] to [illegible]

Sporting The Belgian crew won the Grand Challenge cup at Henley England, defeating the Cambridge crew

9 Political Riotous Bolivians attacked the Argentine legation at La Paz in protest against Argentina's decision in the Peru-Bolivian boundary dispute

Obituary Gen Gallifet distinguished French soldier in Paris aged [illegible]; Lord Ripon noted English statesman in London aged 81

11 Obituary Prof Simon Newcomb noted astronomer mathematician and traveler in Washington aged [illegible]

Convention Grand lodge of the Order of Elks met in Los Angeles

1[illegible] Shipwreck In Lake Superior off Whitefish Point light steamers J B Cowle and I M Scott collided causing the death of 14 sailors on the Cowle which sank

13 Obituary Frederick L Huidekoper civil war veteran and noted military writer and statistician at Albany N Y aged [illegible]; Louis Loeb American artist and illustrator at Canterbury N H aged [illegible]

14 Personal Prince von Bulow chancellor of the German empire retired from office, succeeded by Dr von Bethmann-Hollweg

Marine Disaster British submarine C 11 sunk in collision with the steamship Eddystone off Haisborough lightship, 13 of the crew drowned

Political [illegible] troops of Persia defeated by the Nationalists at Teheran

Sporting Weston arrived in San Francisco having accomplished a total distance of [illegible] miles in about [illegible] days, beginning at New York March 15

1[illegible] Earthquake In southern Greece 200 lives lost

18 Political Don Carlos pretender to the throne of Spain died at Varese Lombardy aged [illegible]

Storm In New York city 16 persons killed and over [illegible] injured by sudden wind storms

20 Obituary [illegible] Nicolette [illegible] popular [illegible] in London

21 Hurricane [illegible] killed in a gulf storm which struck the Texas coast at Galveston and vicinity

Political Diplomatic relations severed between Bolivia and the Argentine Republic [illegible] the mediation [illegible] Argentina

25 Obituary [illegible] Taylor Dandridge daughter of President Zachary Taylor and mistress of the White House during his term at Winchester Va aged [illegible]

Aeronautic Louis Bleriot French aeronaut crossed over the English channel from Calais to Dover in an aeroplane covering the distance of [illegible] miles in about 40 minutes

26 Political Anti-Diaz riot at Guadalajara Mexico resulting in wrecking the town; [illegible] riot in Barcelona

Aeronautics Orville Wright made a new aeroplane record by remaining in flight 1 hour 12 minutes [illegible] 6 seconds with one passenger at Fort Myer

[illegible] Convention World conference of the Y M C A at Barmen-Elberfeld Germany

30 Earthquake Acapulco and Chilpancingo Mexico badly shaken and damaged

Aeronautic Orville Wright made the speed required by the government for army aeroplanes at Fort Myer, flying at the rate of 4[illegible] miles an hour in a 10 mile flight

31 Fire [illegible] houses destroyed in Osaka Japan

Earthquake Mexico badly shaken

Miscellaneous The Chinese vice consul [illegible] Wing shot dead in New York by a Chinaman. [illegible] rioters summarily tried, convicted and shot at Barcelona Spain

AUGUST

2 Personal The Russian Emperor Nicholas received as guest by King Edward of England

5 Political Congress adjourned. The Payne tariff bill finally passed by the senate

6 Aeronautics Paulhan French aviator made new height record for aeroplanes varying from [illegible] to 4[illegible]0 feet at Douai France

Tennyson Centenary The 100th anniversary of the birth of Alfred Tennyson celebrated

Aeronautic [illegible] beat Wilbur Wright's duration record of [illegible] hours [illegible] minutes [illegible] seconds by 6 minutes and [illegible] seconds at Mourmelon le Grand France

[illegible] Convention National Irrigation congress met at Spokane Wash. Annual G A R encampment at Salt Lake City

10 Fire Monticello N Y a popular summer resort [illegible] destroyed by fire, loss about $[illegible]

11 Morocco A captive Spanish balloon used with fatal effect [illegible] upon a Moorish camp at Melilla

1[illegible] Personal Samuel R Van Sant elected commander in chief of the G A R at Salt Lake City

1[illegible] Accident [illegible] killed and [illegible] hurt in a [illegible] collision on the Denver and Rio Grande near [illegible] Colo

Earthquake Over 200 [illegible] destroyed and many killed in central Japan

16 Convention [illegible] congress [illegible] in Denver

17 Obituary [illegible] known for his [illegible] aged [illegible]

Convention [illegible] congress of the [illegible] Peace union

18 Obituary Sir Theodore Martin in London aged [illegible]

19 Polar Research Walter Wellman ascended in his dirigible balloon at Spitzbergen bound for the north pole, meeting with an accident after traveling 33 miles which indefinitely postponed the trip

20 Culmination of a forest fire which destroyed $1,000,000 worth of fir and tamarack timber along Lake Coeur d'Alene Wash

21 Aeronautics Opening of the aeroplane races at Rheims France

2[illegible] Fire Loss of $1,000,000 by flames in the business district of Decatur Ill

Accident [illegible] killed and many injured in a strikers riot at the Pressed Steel Car company's plant at Schoenville Pa

Obituary Rev Thomas Ducey pastor of St Leo's Roman Catholic church in New York city, widely known for his denunciations of municipal corruption, aged [illegible]

23 Aeronautics Glenn H Curtiss American aviator made a speed record at Rheims by covering [illegible] miles in [illegible] minutes [illegible] seconds

Shipwreck [illegible] Castilian [illegible] foundered off the Isle of Pines carrying down [illegible] passengers and [illegible] others

24 Shipwreck The North German Lloyd steamer Seydlitz in collision with the Argentine [illegible] Colombia in Montevideo harbor [illegible]

[illegible] Aeronautics Paulhan French aviator broke all records for length of unbroken flight, including Wilbur Wright's, by remaining in the air 2 hours [illegible] minutes and [illegible] seconds at Rheims

[illegible] Obituary George Manville Fenn English novelist of the old school in London aged [illegible]

Aeronautic Henry Farman English aviator made new record [illegible] by covering [illegible] miles in [illegible] hours [illegible] minutes and [illegible] seconds

28 Aeronautics Glenn H Curtiss won the international aviator cup at Rheims by traveling at the rate of [illegible] miles an hour and covering [illegible] miles in [illegible] minutes [illegible] seconds

Morocco [illegible] Spaniards at Melilla [illegible] by exploding a mine under them

Flood [illegible] Monterey Mexico caused the death of upward of 1,000 lives and destroyed property valued at $[illegible]

29 Holmes Centenary The 100th anniversary of the birth of Oliver Wendell Holmes celebrated

30 Convention Sixth international trades union congress opened in Paris

SEPTEMBER

1 Personal Dr Frederick A Cook announced the discovery by him of the north pole on April 21 1908

3 Personal Rear Admiral C S Sperry commander of the Atlantic fleet on the Pacific cruise [illegible] placed on the retired list of the navy

4 Obituary Clyde Fitch the playwright at Chalons-sur-Marne France

Railroad Accident The Baltimore and Ohio's Royal Blue limited wrecked by train robbers near Chewton Pa; [illegible] killed and 30 injured

Personal Dr Frederick A Cook the arctic explorer who left civilization for the farthest north in 1907 landed at Copenhagen

6 Convention International Esperanto congress opened at Barcelona

7 The Lipton cup trophy in the German-American sonderklasse races won by the American yacht Joyette off Marblehead Mass

Obituary Henry B Blackwell antislavery and pioneer woman suffragist in Boston aged 84

Personal Peary cabled from Indian Harbor Labrador that he reached the north pole April 6 1909

8 Aeronautics Capt F S Cody an American in the British service made a cross country aeroplane flight of 40 miles covered in 1 hour and [illegible] minutes

Obituary Joel [illegible] noted lawyer and political leader in New York city aged [illegible]; Lieut Gen Henry C Corbin U S A retired in New York city aged [illegible]

9 Obituary Gen Edward M McCook civil war veteran of the Ohio family of [illegible] McCooks in Chicago aged [illegible]

1[illegible] Obituary William Lloyd Garrison son and namesake of the great antislavery leader and himself a widely known lecturer and publicist at Lexington Mass aged [illegible]

14 Convention The American Bankers association met in Chicago

Obituary Mrs William [illegible] Hazeltine noted book reviewer and author at Atlantic City aged [illegible]

15 Personal President Taft started from Boston on his 13,000 mile tour. Marriage at Dinard France of Prince Miguel of Braganza pretendant to the throne of Portugal and the American heiress Miss Anita Stewart of New York

Obituary Baron Tweedmouth late first lord of the British admiralty in London aged [illegible]

19 Storm Beginning of a West Indian hurricane which raged for two days along the northern gulf coast; heavy loss of life and great damage to property

21 Peary homeward bound reached Sydney N S. Dr Frederick A Cook the explorer arrived in New York from Copenhagen

Obituary Governor John A Johnson of Minnesota at Rochester Minn aged [illegible]

2[illegible] Obituary Robert Hoe head of the noted firm of printing press manufacturers of New York and London in London aged [illegible]; Henrietta Chanfrau an old time actress who supported Forrest and the Booths at Burlington N J aged [illegible]; Major Rodnia Nutt last male survivor of Barnum's celebrated midget troupe at Dorchester Mass aged [illegible]

2[illegible] Balloon Accident French military dirigible Republique wrecked near Moulins, [illegible] officers on board killed

Hudson-Fulton Opening of the Hudson-Fulton celebration by a naval parade in New York harbor

30 Polar Exploration Peary's arctic ship Roosevelt arrived at New York

OCTOBER

1 Commander Robert E Peary reached New York

Aeronautic International balloon race from Zurich

2 Aeronautic Orville Wright [illegible] at [illegible] international [illegible] Zurich [illegible]

4 Obituary Albert Pulitzer founder of the New York Journal and brother of Joseph Pulitzer of the New York World [illegible]

[illegible] Mining [illegible] death [illegible] explosion [illegible]

Aeronautic [illegible] American [illegible] won the [illegible] cup [illegible] from Zurich [illegible] miles

[illegible] Personal [illegible] Lowell inaugurated president of Harvard

9 Storm [illegible] coast of [illegible]

1[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Aeronautic [illegible] Holland [illegible] won the balloon [illegible] Richmond Va [illegible] hours

[illegible] execution [illegible] Ferrer [illegible] revolutionist [illegible]

1[illegible] Personal President Taft and President Diaz of Mexico met at El Paso Tex

Sporting Jack Johnson defeated Stanley Ketchel in 12 rounds for the heavyweight championship at San Francisco

Seattle Fair The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition closed with a record of attendance of about [illegible]

1[illegible] Sporting Henri St Yves won the Marathon Derby at Seattle in [illegible] hours [illegible] minutes and [illegible] seconds

1[illegible] Obituary Cesare Lombroso noted criminologist and alienist at Turin aged [illegible]

Portola Festival Celebration of the discovery in [illegible] of the bay of San Francisco by Don Gaspar de Portola begun in San Francisco

[illegible] Political Cabinet crisis in Spain as result of the execution on Oct 1[illegible] of Prof Ferrer the revolutionist

Earthquake Catania Sicily shaken; Vesuvius again active

Convention Annual convention of the National Woman's Christian Temperance union opened at Omaha

25 Personal The czar entered Italy as guest of King Victor Emmanuel

26 Obituary Gen Oliver Otis Howard U S A retired, distinguished veteran of the civil and Indian wars, at Burlington Vt aged [illegible]; Rear Admiral Henry Erben U S N retired, a naval hero of the civil war, in New York city aged [illegible]; Prince Hirobumi Ito Japanese statesman formerly resident general of Korea at Harbin Manchuria, victim of a Korean assassin, aged [illegible]

Shipwreck [illegible] deaths in the wrecking of the [illegible] Hestia from Glasgow off the [illegible] coast

[illegible] Civil Battle at Athens between [illegible] ironclads and a flotilla of destroyers manned by mutineers

Sporting James J Jeffries signed with Jack Johnson to box for the heavyweight championship [illegible] rounds or more

Personal Lillian M N Stevens elected president of the national W C T U

30 Sporting H H [illegible] won the Vanderbilt cup race driving a [illegible] horsepower Alco car at average of [illegible] miles for [illegible] miles. Pennsylvania beat Carlisle Indians at football [illegible] to [illegible] on Franklin field

NOVEMBER

2 Political Judge William J Gaynor elected mayor of New York on the Democratic ticket; the election a general victory for Tammany Hall. Municipal reform defeated in San Francisco. Tom Johnson beaten by Herman Baehr in Cleveland mayoralty election

3 Personal Peary awarded a gold medal by the National Geographic society for having reached the north pole

Obituary William Torrey Harris noted philosopher and former United States commissioner of education in Providence R I aged [illegible]

[illegible] Storm Beginning of a rainstorm on the island of Jamaica which caused many deaths and the destruction by landslides, shipwreck and inundation of property estimated at $[illegible]

6 Aeronautics Paulhan French aviator made a new record in flight reaching an altitude of [illegible] feet at Sandown park London

8 Obituary Lionel Brough once noted comedian in London

Fatal Fire [illegible] deaths in the burning of a celluloid factory in Brooklyn

Convention The American Federation of Labor met in Toronto

10 Personal President Taft reached Washington at the end of his tour

13 Sporting Yale defeated Princeton 17 to 0 [illegible] Michigan defeated Pennsylvania [illegible] to [illegible] at Philadelphia. Game between Cornell and Chicago at Ithaca resulted in a score of 6 to 6

Mine Disaster Explosion in the St Paul Coal company's mine near Cherry Ill resulted in the death of nearly [illegible] miners

14 Shipwreck 100 deaths by the sinking of the French liner La Seyne after collision near Singapore

Financial The American Telephone and Telegraph company secured control of the Western Union Telegraph company

18 Obituary Richard Watson Gilder author and editor of the Century Magazine in New York city aged [illegible]

19 Obituary William M Laffan editor of the New York Sun at Lawrence N Y aged [illegible]

20 Sporting Yale beat Harvard at football 8 to 0 in Cambridge. Brown defeated Carlisle Indians at football 21 to 8 in New York

Standard Oil Case The eighth United States circuit court sitting as a court of appeals ordered the Standard Oil trust to dissolve

Obituary Consuelo Yznaga dowager duchess of Manchester, called the most influential woman in England, in London aged [illegible]

23 Obituary David A De Armond one of the oldest and best known Democratic members of congress at Butler Mo aged [illegible]

30 Political The British house of lords rejected the Liberal budget by a vote of 350 to 75

Switchmen Strike Switchmen's strike begun on railroads in the northwest

DECEMBER

1 Political The United States severed diplomatic relations with Nicaragua virtually demanding the organization of a new government to replace Zelaya

2 Fire Fire in the business district of Baltimore caused a loss of nearly $[illegible]

3 Sporting Calvin Demarest of Chicago won the 18.2 balk line billiard title from George Sutton in New York

[illegible] Shipwreck Steamer Ellan Vannin lost in the Mersey, [illegible] passengers and [illegible] sailors drowned. Steamer [illegible] wrecked in [illegible] bay [illegible] crew lost

Obituary Princess Waldemar noted member of the royal family of Denmark in Copenhagen

[illegible] Obituary George Crocker capitalist in New York city aged [illegible]

6 Personal William J Calhoun of Chicago appointed United States minister to China

9 Fire Kalamazoo Mich loss of $[illegible] by flame in the business district

10 Obituary [illegible] Cloud noted Indian chief of the Sioux at Pine Ridge reservation aged [illegible]

Shipwreck [illegible] lives lost by the foundering of car ferry Marquette and Bessemer No 2 on Lake Erie

11 The Herne Oaks home of the late James A Herne actor and playwright burned at Southampton N Y

1[illegible] Fire Racine Wis the Racine Manufacturing company and other plants destroyed, loss $[illegible]

13 Personal Judge H H Lurton appointed justice of the United States supreme court

1[illegible] Railroad Accident [illegible] killed and many hurt in a wreck on the Southern railroad near [illegible] N C

1[illegible] Political President Zelaya placed his resignation in the hands of the Nicaraguan congress

17 Obituary King Leopold II of Belgium aged [illegible]

18 Obituary Grand Duke Michael Nicolaievitch [illegible] at Cannes France aged [illegible]; Gen Green B Raum ex-congressman and former commissioner of pensions in Chicago aged 8[illegible]

[illegible] Prince Albert formally succeeded to the throne of Belgium

23 Convention The [illegible]th anniversary of the American Historical and the American Economic associations celebrated in New York

[illegible] Gladstone Centenary The 100th anniversary of the birth of Right Hon William Ewart Gladstone British statesman known as the Grand Old Man of England celebrated

WESTERN CANADA

Senator Dolliver, of Iowa, says:

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Senator Dolliver recently paid a visit to Western Canada and says: "There is a land hunger in the hearts of English speaking people; this will account for the removal of so many Iowa farmers to Canada. Our people are pleased with its Government and the excellent administration of law, and they are coming to you in tens of thousands and they are still coming."

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Honoring Miss Heinine Miller, of Canal Winchester Indiana, who is the guest of her sister Mrs I W Schillinger, Mr and Mrs Schillinger and a number of young people gave a sleigh ride to the home of Mr and Mrs Henry Johnson south of the city Monday evening. The evening was most delightful spent with taffy-pulling games and music.

Those who enjoyed the ride and the hospitality of Mr and Mrs Johnson were Mr and Mrs Schillinger, Miss Miller, Miss Anna Schoenlaub, Miss Emma Stark, Miss Clara Bickel, Miss Clara Ridle, Miss Florence Stark, Miss Anna Fetter, Miss Katherine Shively, Miss Minnie Stark, Miss Irene Nealy, Miss Stella Stark, Mr Earl Jacobs, Mr Paul Mittler, Mr Fred Schilling, Mr Walter Fetter and Mr Harry Cull.

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Monday afternoon amid Christmas decorations which made her home on east Center street very attractive Miss Elizabeth Britton was hostess to the N O F club which she invited to a dolly party as a farewell compliment to Mr and Mrs Heber Votaw who will leave shortly for their home in Burma.

Each guest carried with her a prettily dressed doll which was presented Mrs Votaw to give her little Burmese friends.

Mrs Votaw, who has devoted much time as a missionary among the people of the far East, gave the girls a charming little talk which was highly entertaining. A buffet lunch was served.

Aside from Mr and Mrs Votaw the only guest other than the club members was Miss Elizabeth Bell.

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Mrs Charles Bell, of Hillsboro, who is visiting her many friends in the city, was the guest of honor at a delightfully informal dance given in the Tally Wag hall Monday evening, by Mr and Mrs Daniel Evans, Mr and Mrs Frank S Keller, Mr and Mrs J P Dombaugh and Mr and Mrs George B Christian Jr. The affair was charming in every detail. A number of guests from out of the city were in attendance. They were Mrs Lyman Beecher, Mrs John Sprague and Miss Cummings, of Hillsboro; Mr and Mrs Chester Carlisle of Willard, New York; Mr and Mrs W C Franz of Canada; Mrs C C Yerkes, of Northville, Michigan; Miss Mary Stockwell of Toledo, and Miss Lena Hepp of Bloomville, Indiana.

A SMALL COMPANY WITNESSES CEREMONY

Miss Bruce and Mr Frank Hersey Are United

The Bruce home on the Boulevard was the scene of a pretty wedding Saturday evening at 7 30 o'clock, when Miss Irene Belle, daughter of Mr and Mrs W H Bruce, was united in marriage to Mr Frank Hersey. The ceremony was performed by Rev G M Rourke in the presence of only the immediate relatives.

The bride was dressed in a princess gown of blue messaline and carried a shower bouquet of white carnations.

Following the ceremony a three course lunch was served.

Mrs Hersey is a pleasing young woman. Mr Hersey is a son of Mrs J H Warner of Davids street and is employed at the Marion shoe factory.

Mr and Mrs Hersey will reside in this city.

W E HOFFHINES IS TUBERCULOSIS VICTIM

Leaves a Widow and Five Children to Mourn Loss

William E Hoffhines, aged forty-one years, seven months and twenty-eight days, died of tuberculosis at his home on Henry street, Tuesday morning at 12 25 o'clock after an illness of several months. The deceased was a member of the American Insurance union. He is survived by a widow and five children.

The funeral services were held at the late residence, Thursday morning at 9 30 o'clock, Rev J W Miles, pastor of the United Brethren church, officiating. Burial took place in the Marion cemetery.

HARLEY O'BRIEN IS TRACTION LINE VICTIM

Is Struck by a Car He Is Trying To Flag

HE LIVES AN HOUR AFTER THE ACCIDENT

Unfortunate Young Man Is Brought to the Central Emergency Hospital Where Injuries Are Found Fatal Is the Only Son of Mr and Mrs Frank O'Brien—The Funeral

Harley O Brien, aged twenty six years, son of Mr and Mrs Frank O'Brien, residing at the corner of Park and Mark streets was almost instantly killed as the result of being struck by a southbound car on the C, B & M electric road at the Hamilton crossing two miles north of the city, Saturday evening The victim of the accident survived little more than an hour, but never regained consciousness

O Brien was in company of I D Carr when the accident occurred but the latter is unable to give all of the details as he himself was struck by the car The victim of the accident and Carr have been close friends for a number of years Carr has been employed at the J M Hamilton home as a farm hand He came to Marion Christmas noon to spend the afternoon and met O Brien Carr informed O Brien that he had to return on the four o clock car to do the chores and the latter volunteered to accompany him to the Hamilton home and assist in the work with the understanding that they would then return to Marion on the same car due here at 6 o clock

The men completed the work at the Hamilton home and shortly before the car was due they went to the crossing to board it Carr says they were trying to light a paper to flag the car, but does not remember whether they succeeded or not He believes they misjudged the distance of the car from them and the rate of speed at which it was moving About the only thing that Carr remembers is that the last thing he was doing was trying to pull O Brien from the track by taking hold of his overcoat

From the fact that the motorman signaled the men and stopped the car with the rear steps at the platform of the crossing is an indication that he had seen the signal of the men to stop Hamilton who resides at the crossing states that had the motorman not intended stopping he would have been unable to accomplish this Hamilton further states that it is his custom to furnish a lantern to any person boarding the car at the crossing in order to guard against accidents and that he always requested Carr to take a lantern when trying to flag a car Carr stated that they believed they would be able to flag the car without taking the lantern as he did not want to put Hamilton to the trouble of going to the crossing after it

Following the accident O Brien was picked up and taken aboard the car The Hess & Markert ambulance met the car at the interurban station and conveyed the injured man to the Central Emergency hospital where Dr A Rhu attended him The face of the injured man was badly crushed and lacerated and two large cuts over his eyes indicate that the force of the blow was received there He was internally injured but no bones in his body or limbs were broken A short time after reaching the hospital he had a convulsion and a short time later died

Car No 50 which struck the men was in charge of Conductor Jesse Miller and Motorman William Noggle Both state that two blasts had been given as a signal that they intended to stop the car at the crossing and that they were of the belief that the men would step out of their dangerous position Carr sustained a laceration of his right hand an injured ankle and was otherwise bruised It is supposed that the side of the car struck him

The remains of the victim of the accident were removed to the Hess & Markert morgue and prepared for burial The deceased was the only son of Mr and Mrs O Brien

The funeral was held from the residence Monday at 1 0 o clock Rev D H Bailey officiating Interment was made in Marion cemetery

PNEUMONIA IS THE CAUSE OF DEATH

Boyd Glenn Dies at Home of Mrs Susan McWhorter

Boyd Glenn aged twenty four years one month and seven days died of pneumonia at the boarding house of Mrs Susan McWhorter of Kenton avenue Monday evening at 8 o clock He had been sick only a few days

The deceased came to Marion about two months ago from Middleport Gallia county and obtained a position at the shops of the Marion Steam Shovel company He is survived by his parents who live in Gallia county

The remains were shipped to Cheshire Gallia county Tuesday afternoon for interment

Women remind us of angels because they are always flying around

MASONS CELEBRATE ANNUAL FESTIVAL

Officers for the Coming Year Are Installed

PRESENTATION OF A FLAG TO THE LODGE

Pastmaster Joseph Mason Receives a Jewel from Class of the Last Year Odd Fellows Hold Their Annual Roll Call—A Big Meeting Monday Evening—Lodge Notes

The Masonic temple was the scene of a big gathering of Masons Monday evening to participate in the celebration of the festival of St John the evangelist and to witness the ceremonies attending the annual installation of officers for the coming year

The new officers were installed by the retiring master Joseph Mason with B F Sweney serving as marshal The officers are

Henry C Cass master William R Waddell senior warden Fred I Cathart junior warden Charles R Mouser senior deacon Don I J Brockett junior deacon Fred W Warner senior steward William Titus junior steward Benjamin Bethel treasurer James A Knapp, secretary S N Titus tyler William Bland trustee

Immediately following the installation George D Copeland past grand master of Ohio on behalf of the pastmasters of Marion lodge presented the lodge a beautiful silk American flag

Then came the presentation of a pastmaster's jewel to Joseph Mason by the class receiving the Masonic degrees during the past year The presentation was made by Rev J P Currin and Mr Mason made a fitting response

The remainder of the evening was given to social intermingling and a buffet lunch in the banquet hall

Considerable routine business was transacted at a well attended meeting of the Pythian Sisters Monday evening

Mrs G W Baker was elected delegate to the grand convention to be held in Lima in June and Mrs John Bland was elected alternate

Arrangements are being made for a penny social to be held in the near future The recently elected officers will be installed at the next meeting of the lodge

Kosciusko Lodge No 8 I O O F held its annual roll call Monday night many responding Following the roll call the third degree was conferred on a class of five candidates

Arrangements were made for the installation of officers next Monday evening District Deputy I I Biller will be the installing officer

Marion Commandery No 36 Knights Templars in accord with the requirements for all commanderies in the United States assembled at the asylum at 11 o clock Christmas morning for exercises appropriate to the day

A toast prepared for all commanderies was read by Michael Waddell and James A Knapp gave a response in keeping with the sentiments expressed in the toast Rev J P Currin then gave a pleasing little address of about five minutes

The members of the Masonic club met at the Masonic temple Thursday evening for the purpose of organizing and discussing the matter of rules to govern the club and the purchase of proper furnishings and a library

About half of the charter list of 200 members was in attendance The first step toward organization was taken by the election of directors to serve one year The directors are Busby I Sweney John F Waddell R K Wright Don I I Brockett and Dr I D Hamilton They will meet for organization soon

It is expected that the club rooms will be furnished and ready for occupancy within the next thirty days

JAMES F BRINER DIES TUESDAY

Death Comes as Result of a Long Illness

James Franklin Briner died at the home of his father Charles Lisle Briner on north Main street at 10 [illegible] Tuesday [illegible] tubercul[illegible] Short funeral services were held at the residence Thursday morning and the remains were sent to [illegible] Clark county at 10 [illegible] where [illegible] funeral took place [illegible] He had [illegible]

JOHN D OWENS IS VICTIM OF ACCIDENT

Falls on Pavement and Fractures Left Kneecap

John D Owens suffered a serious accident Tuesday morning when he slipped and fell on the pavement in front of his residence and sustained a bad fracture of the left kneecap Drs C [illegible] and C W Sawyer were called [illegible] The accident is such that Mr Owens will be confined to his home for some time

MRS. ALVA CASKEY SUES FOR A DIVORCE

Gross Neglect and Extreme Cruelty Charged

ACTIONS ARE BEGUN TO SET ASIDE DEEDS

Sons of Late Isaac Wynn Turn to Court To Adjust Differences Sheriff John G Stark Files a Bill of Expense in Matter of Charles H Hole—Court Notes

Blanche Caskey through attorney J J Myers brought an action for a divorce from Alva Caskey Monday in the common pleas court They were married in Paulding county December 8 18[illegible] and have one child The plaintiff charges gross neglect and extreme cruelty November 1 last she claims that her husband choked her and a week later threatened to kill her with a revolver She alleges that he has deserted her and their child seven times within the past few months She asks custody of the child divorce and alimony

Two actions to set aside deeds were filed in the common pleas court by Attorneys Copeland & Bartram Friday afternoon John Wesley Wynn against William Wallace Wynn and others and William Wallace Wynn against John Wesley Wynn and others are the titles of the two actions Both set up that they are sons of Isaac Wynn who died at Green Camp November 7 1904 and ask that deed conveying certain lots in Green Camp be held for naught

Sheriff John G Stark has filed with County Clerk W W Kliner [illegible] the bill of expense entailed in arresting and bringing to Marion from Seattle Washington Charles H Hole charged with embezzling the Wells Fargo & Company express Sheriff Stark expended $[illegible]0 for carfare automobile hire [illegible] All the costs in the case were paid by Hole's relatives

Michael Elias a fruit merchant indicted for selling cigarets to a minor pleaded guilty before Judge W T Scofield Tuesday in the common pleas court He was fined $25 and costs of prosecution The fine was suspended on condition that he refrain from again selling cigarets to minors

In the suit of William H Brown against Philip Cast the defendant has filed an answer setting up a general denial This is an action wherein the plaintiff seeks to recover $[illegible]000 damages as a result of being attacked by two dogs owned by the defendant

An answer in the suit of George S McGuire guardian of Goldie B Delbert I and Ora I Hensel against Elizabeth Hensel has been filed in the common pleas court This is an action in partition

In the suit of Dora Fisch against Clara Williams and others the demurrer of John Reinhardt executor of the last will and testament of Mary Zeig deceased has been filed in the common pleas court by Attorneys Mouser & Moloney He says the plaintiff's petition does not set up facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action against the defendant

The receivership suit of Samuel I Leffler against Elmer E Leffler has been settled out of court

The suit of C E Swoveland against M I Swoveland the Marion Savings Building & Loan company and H C King to marshal liens has been settled out of court

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POLICE COURT

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Samuel Fausnaugh Fred Byers and William Bolander were celebrating Christmas Saturday morning and about 10 o clock engaged in a fight on south Main street Fausnaugh and Byers gave Bolander a severe beating within the sight of [illegible] The other started for the [illegible] and Byers and Fausnaugh took to their heels Bolander was taken to the city prison and [illegible] held a short [illegible] Affidavits were filed [illegible] against Byers and Fausnaugh [illegible] were arrested Sunday night and arraigned [illegible] They plead guilty [illegible] and were each fined $10 and costs and sentenced [illegible] days in the [illegible] Monday [illegible]

[illegible] filed an affidavit [illegible] Monday afternoon [illegible] Lydia [illegible] drunkenness [illegible] alleged [illegible] home intoxicated [illegible] Lydia was [illegible] fined and [illegible] and sentenced [illegible] were paid

THE EVENT OF THE YEAR

The Manhattan's Great Annual Clean-up Sale Started Wednesday

It's What You Have All Been Waiting For, And It Started Wednesday Morning.

We have given big sales here; we have gone the supposed limit in price cutting. Our yearly clearances are often cited as examples of enterprise in modern merchandising--but the sale that starts tomorrow will completely overshadow all that have gone before. Simply because our stocks are larger in every department, and as we never depart from our established policy of carrying no goods over, we are forced to mark goods at prices unheard of before in Marion. We must clear the goods at once. We want the sale to go off in a rush, and we have named t he prices that willaccomplish it.

$10 Suits and Overcoats	$15 Suits and Overcoats	$20 Suits and Overcoats	$25 Suits and Overcoats
Including all the nobby garments in our men's and young men's departments that sold at that price, well tailored and 100 per cent pure wool, reduced to	That will stack up against any $18 00 garment shown in town Our magnificent lines, regularly sold at $15 00, cut for quick clearance to	Splendid examples of the extra value giving of this store, equal to $25 00 suits shown elsewhere, priced for this particular clearance sale	As good clothes as the merchant tailor could turn out at twice the price, splendid styles, fine tailoring, exclusive styles, all go at
$6.68	$10.00	$13.34	$16.68

Men & Young Men's Trousers Sharply Reduced

All $2 trousers marked down to	*All $3 trousers reduced in this sale to*	*All $4 trousers cut for quick selling to*	*All $5 trousers are yours during this sale for*
$1.50	*$2.25*	*$3.00*	*$3.75*

Grand Clearance of Men & Young Men's Raincoats.

$12.00 Raincoats cut to	*$15.00 Raincoats cut to*	*$18.00 Raincoats cut to*	*$20.00 Raincoats cut to*
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$3 00 BOYS SUITS AND OVERCOATS, now	$2.00
$3 50 BOYS SUITS AND OVERCOATS now	$2.38
$4 00 BOYS SUITS AND OVERCOATS now	$2.68
$4 50 BOYS SUITS AND OVERCOATS now	$3.00
$5 00 BOYS SUITS AND OVERCOATS now	$3.34
$6 00 BOYS SUITS AND OVERCOATS now	$4.00
$6 50 BOYS SUITS AND OVERCOATS now	$4.38
$7 50 BOYS SUITS AND OVERCOATS, now	$5.00
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$1 00 SHIRTS now	80c	75c GLOVES, now	60c
$1 50 SHIRTS, now	$1.20	$1 00 GLOVES, now	80c
$2 00 SHIRTS now	$1.60	$1 50 GLOVES, now	$1.20
$1 50 SWEATER COATS, now	$1.20	25c HOSIERY, now	20c
$2 00 SWEATER COATS, now	$1.60	50c HOSIERY, now	40c
$3 00 SWEATER COATS now	$2.40	$5 00 HATS now	$3.75
50c UNDERWEAR, now	40c	$4 00 HATS, now	$3.00
$1 00 UNDERWEAR now	80c	$3 00 HATS, now	$2.25
$1 50 UNDERWEAR now	$1.20	$2 00 HATS, now	$1.50
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There are dozens of articles which lack of space forbids mentioning but take it from us this same ratio of discount applies to every article in our establishment---we reserve absolutely nothing This sale is in keeping with all others heretofore given by us---Your money back if you are not perfectly satisfied.

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THE MANHATTAN

TO TAKE BENCH OUT OF POLITICS

Will Be Purpose of Bill To Be Introduced

AT COMING SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE

It Is Backed by the Railroad Trainmen of Ohio.

Under the Bill, All Supreme, Circuit, Common Pleas and Probate Judges and Justices of the Peace Would Be Voted for on Separate Ballots. Three Bills Sought by the State Board of Health.

Columbus, Dec. 29.—The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen of Ohio will, for the third time, at the coming legislative session, trying to get a bill passed providing for the election of all judicial officers on a separate ballot. The object is to take judicial elections out of politics. Representative L. H. Paine, of Lucas county, introduced this bill in 1908, and it was again introduced by Representative Schrieber, of Lucas, at the special session of this year. The present elections committee of the house recommended its passage, and it was put on the calendar in the closing part of the session, but adjournment was taken before it reached a vote. It is probable that the measure will have the backing of most labor organizations. It provides for the election of judges in practically the same manner that *school board members are selected* now. It applies to judges of the supreme court, judges of circuit courts, judges of the common pleas court, judges of probate courts, justices of the peace and judges of all other courts.

Like School Board Members.

The names of the candidates shall be placed upon a separate and independent ballot, entitled "Judicial Ticket," without any designation whatever, save the office or offices and the number of candidates to be elected.

Those pushing the bill use as an argument in its favor that it will remove the judiciary from all political domination and influence. A judge will not be handicapped in his efforts to dispense justice by giving decisions that will meet with the approval of the party which nominates him. Under the new plan he would be answerable alone to the people and that his chances for reelection would rest wholly on his record. The railroad men will also urge the passage of three other bills, one to remove the $3,000 and $5,000 limitations, respectively, which may be recovered for injuries and death resulting from accidents, and the others making cabooses stronger, larger, safer and more sanitary.

Other Possible Measures.

The state board of health will ask the legislature to pass three important bills relating to public health. One is to give the authority to the board to produce anti-toxin so that it can be furnished to everybody needing it for a small sum; another is for provision for the examination of each school child annually as a test for sight, hearing, breathing and other defects, and the third is to establish a bureau for the prevention of infectious and contagious diseases. The last bill contemplates dividing the state into twelve districts and have a medical inspector for each district, who shall cooperate with local health boards in stamping out disease, giving aid wherever needed. These inspectors are to be under the state board. Anti-toxin for diphtheria is costly and is practically prohibitive where there are several cases in a family. The state board can produce it so that the cost will be nominal to everybody. In the examination of pupils education boards may employ physicians, dental examiners and nurses.

Cross-Petition Filed.

Washington, Dec. 30.—The cross appeal of the American Federation of Labor officials in the injunction case prosecuted against them by the Bucks Stove & Range company, was today filed in the supreme court of the United States.

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FORESTRY CHIEF CHALLENGED BY CABINET MEMBER

In his open letter demanding an investigation of the department of the interior, Secretary Ballinger, without mentioning Gifford Pinchot, chief of the forestry service, specially directs attention to the necessity of including that department in the inquiry. In writing to Senator Wesley L. Jones, Mr. Ballinger said, "I have reason to believe that the pernicious activity of certain officers of the forestry service has been the source and inspiration of charges against the interior department and its administration." The secretary thus for the first time throws down the gage to Mr. Pinchot and opens up the most serious fight that has taken place under the Taft administration.

REEXAMINATIONS OF THE TEACHERS

Is Opposed by Ohio State Association of School Examiners.

Columbus, O., Dec. 29.—The Ohio State Association of School Examiners, whose twenty-sixth annual session closed in the Central high school building, this afternoon, went on record as opposed to reexaminations of teachers. They hope to make teaching more of a professional business—putting it on a plane equal with attorneys, physicians, etc. These officers were elected:

President, J. M. Frederick, Cuyahoga county; vice president, David Kirgan, Clermont; secretary-treasurer, Mary Dennison, Franklin. Executive committee: W. J. Beverly, Ross; C. M. Barber, Knox; W. O. Moore, Guernsey.

At this morning's meeting of the Ohio State Elementary Teachers' association, Dean H. G. Williams, of Athens State Normal college, and Dean H. C. Binnich, of the State normal college, at Oxford, were the principal speakers. The afternoon feature was the address of Professor E. J. McGilvrey, superintendent of the Cleveland boys' farm at Hudson, on "The Boys of Ohio and What We May Do for Them."

PLACE MORGAN ON THE STAND

Will Attorney General Denman If He Is Able To Do So.

Columbus, O., Dec. 30.—J. P. Morgan will be put on the rack and compelled to tell for whom he purchased *the independent telephones* in Ohio and what disposition he has made of their stock, if Attorney General U. G. Denman can find a lead strong enough to base a suit on the theory that the telephone interests are being combined.

The New York law is such that Morgan may be grilled as freely in an Ohio suit as though it were brought in New York state. The latter's law provides that in the taking of depositions in a suit by a sister state, the witness may be yanked before a New York court and punished for contempt if he refuses to answer.

Mr. Denman will do nothing with respect to the telephone merger until after January 1, until which time he has given those concerned to convince him through written statements, that no arrangement is to follow that would result in telephone rates being controlled by a common set of men, whether there be actual merging of the Bell and independents or not.

FIVE DEATHS IN A LOCAL THEATER

As Result of Panic Caused by Pickpockets.

Lemburg, Austria, Dec 30. The police are today rounding up all the criminals in the city in the hope of finding the pickpockets who are charged with exploding fireworks during a moving picture show at a local theater last night, causing a panic that resulted in five deaths and the serious injuring of twenty-one others.

In the panic the pickpockets mingled with the crowd and scores of pockets were picked.

The bar top is a favorite way of mounting opera bags. With this top it is a simple matter to open the bag to slip the glasses in and out. Bags of this sort are carried by a cord or light chain.

WILL COME BACK AND REFORM US

At End of Fifty Years, Says Wu Ting Fang,

WHEN HE SAILS FOR HOME TODAY

You Americans Eat Too Much; You Rush Too Hard.

You Work Too Hard; You Play Too Hard; You Are Too Much Concerned with the Almighty Dollar; You Are Wearing Yourselves Out, Says Wu, and When I Come Back I'll Be the Youngest Among You

New York, Dec. 29.—"You Americans eat too much; you rush too hard; you work too hard; you play too hard; you are too much concerned with the almighty dollar; you are wearing yourselves out, and when I come back here in 1959, to impart new truths to you, I will be the youngest man in America."

Such was the farewell of former Minister Wu Ting Fang to America when he boarded the Lusitania today for Liverpool.

Dr Wu will spend two months in London, with his son, Wu Chao Chu, before returning to China. Accompanying him are Madame Wu, his wife; his daughter-in-law, Madame Wu Chao Chu, and the latter's two daughters and infant son.

"What do you think the prospects are for the ultimate repeal of the Chinese exclusion laws?" Wu was asked.

"I am looking for my luggage," Wu replied, with a diplomatic twinkle *in his eye*.

"Do you believe that China is susceptible of the rapid advance made by Japan?"

"Worried" About Bags.

"I am really worried about those hand bags," said the diplomatist.

"It is reported that western ideas have made such an advance in China that an edict will be issued compelling all Chinese to cut off their queues. What do you think of the idea?"

"It is strange, very strange," said Doctor Wu, absently, "that those bags are not in the ship yet."

But Wu finally consented to have his photograph, with that of his wife and the rest of the party, taken upon the deck, and it was there that he gave his parting advice to America.

"Learn to live slower, you Americans," Wu said, "and I will see you alive when I return in fifty years. Pure air, pure food, pure thought is what your country needs."

"Good-by, good-by. I'll come back and reform you in fifty years," were his parting words.

A TRAGEDY OCCURS IN DINING-ROOM

Deputy United States Marshal Kill Waitress and Himself.

Peru, Ind., Dec 29. Roy McKinney, of Indianapolis, spurred by jealousy, shot and instantly killed Miss Dora Chappel, twenty, a waitress, at noon today in the dining-room of the Bearss hotel, then killed himself with the same revolver. The tragedy occurred in the midst of the dinner and created a panic in the dining-room, which was filled with guests at the time. McKinney, according to papers on his person, was a deputy United States marshal, having full identification papers on his person. He came to Peru Tuesday and registered as L. [illegible] Stuart, of Chicago.

Evidently he came to Peru with the intention of meeting Miss Chappel. She had been employed as a waitress at the Oneida hotel in Indianapolis until two weeks ago when she came to Peru, it is said, to escape his attentions.

Miss Chappel was serving McKinney his dinner. As she poured cream, he caught her in his arms, shot her twice in the breast, killing her instantly, then used the remaining charges on himself with the same instant effect.

FIVE MEN KILLED IN AN EXPLOSION

Of a Boiler in Plant of Pennsylvania Electric Company.

Reading, Pa., Dec. [illegible] Five men were killed by the explosion of a boiler in the new plant of the Metropolitan Electric company in West Reading today.

The dead are Frank Cole, James Coney, Waterbury, Connecticut; Clifford Martin, Toms River, New Jersey, Elmer Dengler, Mount Penn and Martin Lynch, Phoenixville, Pennsylvania.

A college education is many a young man's excuse for not knowing how to earn money.

BRIDE HAS NEGRO BLOOD IN VEINS

So Charges Her Husband in His Suit for Divorce.

New York, Dec. 29.—New York attorneys are today watching with great interest the suit for annulment of marriage brought by William S. Horton, of Yonkers, against his nineteen-year-old bride, on the ground that she has negro blood in her veins. The attorneys want to know how much a fiance is compelled to tell her husband before marriage, and whether negro blood in a wife's veins is a valid ground for voiding a marriage.

Horton declares he was married last March and knew nothing of the alleged taint in his wife's blood for several months. Then, he asserts, he set on foot an investigation which he alleges showed that his wife's mother and father were mulattoes, if not full blooded negroes.

Mrs. Horton denies that she is a negress, declaring she is of French and Spanish extraction.

TAFT COMMITTED TO DOWNFALL OF CANNON

Will Do All in His Power To Kill Cannonism.

HE WILL OPPOSE THE SPEAKER'S REELECTION

To Preside Over the Lower House of Congress—Mr. Taft Is in Hearty Sympathy with the Movements of the Insurgents for a Change of House Rules.

Washington, Dec. 29.—"President Taft has pledged himself to do all in his power to bring about the downfall of Speaker Cannon," declared the Washington Times, Independent, today. Continuing, the Times says:

"This statement was made today by a member of the house, who has been commissioned by the president to deal with the insurgents.

"The president's plan is to postpone *any active campaign against* the speaker until after he has submitted his legislation program shortly after congress convenes in January. He has reason to believe that some promises made to him in regard to that program will be broken, and if his suspicions prove to be founded on fact, he will line up with the insurgents on an earlier date than would ordinarily be the case.

"To the member referred to the president volunteered the information that he was in hearty sympathy with the movement to amend the rules; that he was unalterably opposed to Cannon, and that he would oppose his election as speaker of the sixty-second congress. The president authorized the member to convey his sentiments to the insurgents, accompanied with the suggestion that he would prefer to postpone the fight until after his legislative program had had a chance."

FOUR ARE BLOWN INTO FRAGMENTS

By an Explosion in Mine Near Mineral Point.

REMAINS OF THREE OF THEM ARE FOUND

No Trace of the Fourth Can Be Discovered.

The Men Are Taking Their Tools to the Powder Room in a Drift Near the Top of the Mine Shaft When the Explosion Occurs—It Is Supposed That One of Them Dropped a Cap.

Mineral Point, Wis., Dec. 29.—Four men have been blown to fragments at the Ollie Bell mine between Mineral Point and Platteville by the explosion of 150 pounds of dynamite which wrecked the upper workings of the mine, according to advices received today.

The Four Dead.

Edward Sullivan, foreman, fifty years old, married.

Thomas Clegg, one of the Clegg family which owned the first mine in southwestern Wisconsin.

Charles Morton, forty-three, single.

John Olberg, thirty-two, married.

Cap Is Dropped.

The men had taken their tools to the powder-room in a drift near the top of the mine shaft. It is thought they dropped a cap while putting away the tools and powder.

Immediately after the explosion, other miners went into the pit left by the force of the explosion and the *remains of but three bodies were* found, the fourth could not be located. The flesh on the bodies was so terribly torn it was impossible to identify any of them.

The property is owned by the Mineral Point Scenic company, of which W. A. Jones, former United States Indian commissioner, is president.

As an Accessory.

Toledo, O., Dec. 29.—New evidence in the hands of police here will result, they say, in the filing of a formal charge of murder, as an accessory before the fact, against Jerry Mackley, twenty-seven, who is held jointly responsible with his brother, Joseph, for the murder of Caroline Hunt, eighteen, who was slain and her parents fatally shot on Monday night.

Anyway, it is better to borrow trouble than it is to make it.

GLADYS EMERY AOKI HAS TIRED OF HER JAPANESE HUSBAND

Gladys Emery, whose marriage [illegible] comment all over [illegible] Seattle [illegible] daughter of Archdeacon John Emery of San Francisco, to a Japanese servant, named Gunjiro Aoki, [illegible] the world last March, has left her husband and is [illegible]. The couple have been living in the [illegible] when the young woman wrote to her [illegible] be allowed to return home and [illegible] that since the birth of the [illegible] and neglected [illegible]. When Mrs. Emery and her mother left Corte Madera, to go to Washington, where the state law would [illegible] they were followed by a [illegible] issued a statement [illegible]

WILLIAM H. MOORE, SOON TO CONTROL MORE RAILROADS

It is believed that the purchase of an interest in the Lehigh Valley railroad by the Moore-Reid syndicate means a new transcontinental line. When Judge William H. Moore, E. S. Moore and Daniel G. Reid, who virtually control the Rock Island system, bought into the Lehigh, Wall street regarded it as a move for a new trunk line between New York and Chicago, if not all the way to the Pacific coast. Judge Moore will enter the directorate of the Lehigh on January 18, and it is said that sweeping changes will take place.

TWENTY-NINE FINE BROOD MARES DEAD

As a Result of a Fire on Lexington Farm.

Lexington Ky., Dec 30.—Fire destroyed the large brood mare barn at Patchen Wilkes farm here last night and twenty-nine trotting-bred brood mares owned by W. E. D. Stokes, of New York, and other horsemen, were destroyed. Fire was caused by the heating plant. The stallions, including Peter the Great, were saved. The loss will reach about $50,000, the mares being valued at $1,000 each and the barn, which was almost new, costing more than $20,000.

BASHFULNESS OF WELTE ABNORMAL

It Leads Him To Commit Suicide at Toledo.

Toledo, O., Dec. 29.—Abnormal bashfulness caused Henry Welte, twenty-two, to take his life on Wednesday morning. This was revealed in a note left by the young man, who shot himself through the head. This note read:

"Dear father and mother: Forgive me for what I do. I was so bashful I couldn't stand it any longer."

EIGHT DEGREES BELOW ZERO THURSDAY MORNING

The Coldest Morning in a Number of Years.

Eight degrees below zero!

That is what Dr. E. H. Raffensperger, the official weather observer, reports his thermometer showed at an early hour Thursday. Other thermometers about the city showed ten and twelve below. It was not only the lowest point reached this winter, but the coldest in several years.

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A daughter was born, Thursday evening, to Mr and Mrs. Henry M. [illegible], of [illegible] street.

A daughter was born, Thursday, to Mr and Mrs James V. Cook, residing on Meadow street.

A son was born, Monday, to Mr and Mrs Edwin Born, of east Center street.

A son was born Christmas noon, to Mr and Mrs. [illegible] Lifer, of [illegible] High street.

Born, early Tuesday, a son to Mr and Mrs W. B. DeVeny, of Scofield Heights.

Born, Sunday morning to Mr and Mrs George [illegible], of Olney avenue, a girl.

A daughter was born, Wednesday to Mr and Mrs William Penrose, two miles southwest of Agosta.

Street Car Man Indicted.

Cincinnati, Dec. 30.—W. Kesley Schoepf, president of the Cincinnati Traction company, and of the Ohio Traction company, was indicted by the grand jury on four counts today, charging failure to keep cars on four city lines up to the temperature of sixty degrees required by law.

It isn't so much that we love life; it's that we hate death.

PLAN TO FIGHT THE EXCISE TAX

The Manufacturers of Chicago Are Combining

TO WAGE BATTLE AGAINST THE LAW

The Publicity Clause Held To Be Objectionable.

They Declare That It Will Cost Them Much Trade and Give Their Business Rivals Information of Their Customers and Their Methods of Doing Business—Will Attack Law's Constitutionality.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—The heads of thousands of Chicago manufactories and incorporated establishments are today planning to band together in an organization to fight the corporation excise tax, the publicity clause of which they declare will cost them much trade and give their business rivals information on their customers and their methods of doing business. Lawyers were retained today by some of the larger enterprises to draw up amendments and to prepare to attack the constitutionality of the law.

The publicity section in the law, which has agitated the corporations throughout the Middle West, is as follows:

"When the assessment shall be made as provided in this section, the returns, together with any corrections thereof which may have been made by the commissioner, shall be filed in the office of the commissioner of internal revenue and shall constitute public records and be open to inspection as such."

Aside from the claim that the law gives their competitors an insight into their business, the business men making the protest declare the act is class legislation and discriminates between corporations and copartnerships; that the law is not an excise law because it imposes indirect taxation and that the federal government is infringing upon states right by taxing corporations that receive their life from a state and do no interstate business.

MERRY CROWD AT THE COTTRELL HOME

Bob-Sled Ride Is Followed by Taffy-Pulling.

A merry crowd of young men and women from Morral enjoyed a bobsled ride to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cottrell, one and a half miles southwest of Harpster, Wednesday evening, and had a most enjoyable time. About fifteen were present. An old-fashioned taffy-pull was one of the evening's pleasures.

A man can plan three houses in half the time it takes a woman to plan a new hat.

LIVE STOCK AND GRAIN

CHICAGO—Cattle: Beeves, $4 10@7 95; cows and heifers, $2 00@5 20, western steers, $4 00@6 15, stockers and feeders, $3 00@5 20. Calves—$7 25@9 50. Sheep and Lambs—Native sheep, $3 50@5 70, western, $3 60@5 40, native lambs, $5 75@8 [illegible], western, $5 75@8 30; yearlings, $6 50@7 50. Hogs: Light, $8 10@8 55, mixed, $8 25@8 70, heavy, $8 35@8 70, rough, $8 35@8 50, pigs, $7 20@8 10. Wheat—No. 2 red $1 21@1 27. Corn—No. 3, 61½c. Oats—No. 2, 45¼c.

EAST BUFFALO—Cattle: Export cattle, $6 25@7 00, shipping steers, $5 60@6 25, butcher cattle $5 00@6 50, heifers, $3 0[illegible]@5 75, cows, $3 25@5 25, bulls, $3 00@5 00, milkers and springers, $25 00@65 00. Calves $10 00@11 00. Sheep and Lambs—Mixed sheep, $5 25@5 75, wethers, $5 50@6 00, ewes $5 60@5 50; lambs $7 00@8 65, yearlings $6 50@7 50. Hogs—Heavies, $8 [illegible], mediums, $8 90, Yorkers $8 [illegible], pigs $8 60, roughs, $8 15@8 [illegible]; stags $7 00@7 50.

CLEVELAND—Cattle: Prime dry-fed cattle, $[illegible], fat steers, $5 00@6 25; [illegible], cows, $2 25@4 00, bulls, $[illegible], milkers and springers, [illegible]. Calves—$10 50 down. Sheep and Lambs—Mixed sheep, $4 75@5 25; ewes, $4 75@5 00, lambs $6 00@8 40. Hogs—Heavies and mediums, $8 70, Yorkers, $8 65@8 70, pigs $8 65@7 00; mixed, $8 65@8 70, roughs, $7 75@8 00; stags, $7 25@7 50.

PITTSBURG—Cattle: Choice, $6 50@7 00, prime, $6 00@6 50, tidy butchers, $5 50@6 00, heifers $3 50@5 50; cows, bulls and stags, $2 50@5 00, fresh cows, $25 00@50 00. Calves: Veal $7 00@9 15. [illegible] good mixed $5 10@5 40, lambs, $[illegible]@8 60, yearlings, $5 00@7 00. Hogs—[illegible] hogs and mediums, $8 90; heavy Yorkers, $8 85@8 90, light Yorkers and pigs $8 80@8 85.

CINCINNATI—Wheat: No. 2 red, $1 28@1 [illegible]. Corn—No. 2 mixed, 63@63½c. Oats—No. 2 mixed, 47@47½c. Rye—No 2, [illegible]. Lard—$12 70. Bulk Meats—$[illegible]. Bacon—$1[illegible]. Cattle—$2 00@6 65. Sheep—$2 50@5 50. Lambs—$4 50@8 00. Hogs—$[illegible]@8 85.

TOLEDO—Wheat, $1 25, corn, 64½c, oats, [illegible], rye, 78c, cloverseed, $8 92½.

CHICAGO DAIRY.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Butter—Creamery extras 36; firsts 31@32; dairy extras 31; firsts 28.

Eggs—Prime firsts 33; firsts 32.

Cheese—Twins 16@16½; daisies 16½; young Americas 16@16¼.

Live poultry—Turkeys 17; fowls 11@11½; spring chickens 13½@14½; ducks 11@15; geese 10.

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OFFICERS ELECTED BY SUNDAY-SCHOOL

Business Transacted by Baptist School at LaRue.

EXERCISES HELD IN VARIOUS CHURCHES

The Christmas Exercises in the LaRue Presbyterian Church Are Abandoned Because of the Death of Miss Eva Henderson—Locals Gathered at LaRue.

LaRue, Dec. 30.—[Special.]—The following officers were elected by the Baptist Sabbath-school, Sunday morning: superintendent, W. F. Kniffin, assistant superintendent, J. Wayne Hoagland; secretary, Bertice Hilton, treasurer, Floyd Topliff; organist, Demeral Morris; chorister, Erdine Sager, librarians, Nina Kniffin and Blanche Hinklin; primary superintendent, Spray Riley; assistant primary superintendent, Erdine Sager. The teachers will be chosen next Sunday for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Kemper, of Delaware, were guests of LaRue relatives, Saturday and Sunday.

George Johnson, of Marion, visited his parents north of LaRue the past week.

Miss Vera Cratty and Mr. Harold Ross, of Columbus, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. N. Sifritt, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Clark and son, George, spent Christmas with relatives at Ada.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Engel are the guests of relatives at Marseilles this week.

Miss Bertha Anderson returned home, Tuesday, from a visit with her sister, Mrs. Earl Herron, and family, of Lorain.

Miss Leona Baughman, a student of Hillsdale college, arrived at LaRue, Friday evening, and will spend the holiday vacation with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hurd and son, Ross, of Marion, spent Christmas with Mrs. Hurd's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Head, west of LaRue.

Born, Friday, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Metz, of Chestnut street.

Mrs. Carol Bell, of Union City, visited relatives at LaRue, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. I. S. Guthery was a visitor in Marion, Monday.

Christmas exercises were held in the Methodist and Baptist churches, Friday evening. The churches were appropriately decorated and special music and recitations were given by the children of the Sabbath-schools. Owing to the death of Miss Eva Henderson no exercises were held at the Presbyterian church.

Horace Woolf, of Syracuse, New York, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Thombs for the past few days, left for his home, Tuesday evening. He was accompanied by Mrs. Woolf, who has been the guest of relatives here for the past few months.

Miss Lillie Mae Thombs went to Marion, Monday, where she accepted a position.

Mrs. Amanda Huff is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Drake this week.

Mrs. G. N. Myers returned home, Saturday, from a few days' visit with relatives in Marion.

Mrs. Willis Clark returned home, Tuesday, from a visit with relatives in Columbus.

Miss Myrtle Wilson and Miss Iris Thombs visited in Marion, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie Carr and children spent Christmas with relatives at Essex and Richwood.

C. E. Prettyman was the guest of friends in Dayton, Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Magan, of Kenton, visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bell, Christmas.

Mrs. Albert Willauer and daughter, Ruth, of Mt. Victory, visited Miss Bess Mills, Monday evening and Tuesday.

R. B. Bell, superintendent of the schools here, is a business visitor in Columbus this week.

Miss Annabel Myers is the guest of Marion relatives this week.

Miss Osie Dilsaver, who has been a trimmer at the C. W. Rodgers' millinery store for the past season, left, Monday, for her home near Richwood.

Walter Scranton, of Marion, was the guest of his parents here, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Cartha Bell is spending the week with relatives in Kenton, Forest and Mt. Blanchard.

Austyn Shira, of Columbus, is the guest of his parents this week.

Mr. and Mrs. James McNeff returned home, Tuesday evening, from a few days' visit with relatives at Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hedges and children, of near Richwood, were guests of Mrs. Hedges' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Price, Christmas.

Miss Perca and Master Dale Kemper, of Delaware, are visiting with LaRue relatives this week.

Donald Lingo, of Ohio Wesleyan university, is spending his vacation with his parents.

Miss Gladys Bailey, of Marion, is the guest of Miss Ethel Johnson, north of LaRue.

Mrs. N. Sifritt visited, Tuesday and Wednesday, with relatives at Richwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Scott, of Shelby, and Earnest Scott, of Marion, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Scott, Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Audrey Wood and children, of near Hepburn, visited Mrs. Wood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Drews, Christmas.

Harley LaRue, who has been in Arizona and California for the past year, returned to his home near DeCliff, Saturday evening.

Miss Myrle Henkle returned to her home at Delaware, Tuesday evening, after a pleasant visit with relatives at LaRue.

Miss Susie Raub, a teacher in the Fostoria schools, is spending her vacation with her parents south of LaRue.

Mrs. Quick Covert and daughter, Ruth, of Perrysville, are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Raub, south of LaRue.

Miss Zanza Leonard, who has been the guest of relatives here for the past week, left Tuesday evening for Upper Sandusky, where she will visit relatives before going to her home in Lorain.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Schultz and Mrs. Blanche McPherson, of Marion, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Drake, Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harmon, of Marion, visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Arnold, from Friday evening until Monday.

Miss Grace Baldwin, a teacher in the Marion schools, is spending her vacation with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. William Drake left, Friday, for Franklin, Indiana, where they spent several days with Mrs. Drake's sister, Mrs. C. H. Drybread, and family.

Mrs. Oza McConnell visited relatives in Marion, Christmas.

Clarence LaRue, of Delaware, is spending his vacation with his parents near DeCliff.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Whipps and daughter, Beatrice, of Marion, spent Christmas with Mrs. Whipps' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dusang, west of LaRue.

J. D. Henkle, of Delaware, visited relatives at LaRue, from Friday evening until Sunday.

Ray Baughman, in the employ of the Bell Telephone company at Pittsburg, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Baughman, from Friday until Sunday.

J. M. Carey visited relatives in Marion, Saturday and Sunday.

JOSEPH B. KRUSKAMP DIES AT GALLIPOLIS

Death Comes After a Long Period of Suffering.

Joseph B. Kruskamp, forty-eight years old, who was taken to the state institution for epileptics at Gallipolis last July, died of organic heart trouble and complications, Wednesday. The remains arrived here from Gallipolis, Wednesday night, and were taken to the late home of the deceased on Lee street.

Seven years ago, Mr. Kruskamp suffered a sunstroke whit at work at the Norris & Christian quarries and fell from a ledge, injuring his head and spine. Epilepsy developed. He was a blacksmith by trade and at one time was employed by the Marion Steam Shovel company.

A widow and seven children survive, the children being George, aged twenty-five; Edward, aged twenty-three; Elizabeth, aged twenty-one; William, seventeen; Joseph, fifteen; Francis, twelve; Clarence, seven.

Mr. Kruskamp was born in Vinton county. He moved to Marion about twenty-three years ago.

The funeral services were held at St. Mary's Catholic church, Friday morning at 8 o'clock, followed by interment in the Marion cemetery.

POLICE COURT.

According to the official record of arrests made by the police department, the present year has shown a large decrease. During the present year 363 arrests have been made up to Tuesday evening, while during last year the number reached 626. Of the number of arrests made up to date this year, 121 were for intoxication against 345 for the year 1908.

The large decrease of arrests is attributed to several causes, according to the head of the department. During the time the patrol wagon was in use and the force consisted of from ten to thirteen men, the districts were better patroled. Under the present conditions many who were sufficiently intoxicated to be arrested were sent on their way home, as the officers were of the opinion that this was a better method than to make a long journey to police headquarters and leave their beats unprotected.

Guile Lyday, who was fined $50 and the costs in the mayor's court, Tuesday morning, on a charge of fighting, drunkenness, disorderly and indecent conduct, was unable to pay the fine and costs and was taken to the Columbus workhouse, Tuesday afternoon, by Officer Bell, where he will have to work out the amount at the rate of sixty cents a day.

Don't believe everything you hear over a telephone wire.

The dyer lives to dye, but not to help the undertaker.

HE NARROWLY ESCAPES DROWNING IN LAKE

George Schlientz Has Unpleasant Experience.

IS CUTTING ICE AND FALLS INTO WATER

Other Workmen Rescue Him with Difficulty—Observance of Christmas in the Churches at Caledonia—The Knights of Pythias Hold a Meeting—Caledonia Notes.

Caledonia, Dec. 29.—[Special.]—George Schlientz narrowly escaped drowning in the George Henry lake, Tuesday morning. Mr. Schlientz, who weighs about 200 pounds, was helping put up ice when he slipped and fell into about four feet of water. While endeavoring to get out he came very close to going under the uncut ice. After considerable difficulty other men in the party managed to get to him and draw him up to safety.

Christmas was observed at the M. E. church with a splendid program and a treat to all the children present. The church was prettily decorated for the occasion. At the Universalist church a treat was given to the young members.

Floyd McPeek and Floyd Claypool went to Columbus, Thursday, where they are visiting with friends and relatives.

Ira Pace, of Gallipolis, came here last week and is a guest at the home of his brothers, David and Charles.

L. M. Hipsher, of Victor, Montana, was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Underwood last Thursday and Friday.

E. M. Rice visited, Saturday and Sunday, with his daughter, Mrs. Charles Geyer, of Edison.

W. B. Hart, of Cleveland, visited here with his wife and family from Friday until Sunday.

Mrs. M. V. Neal and little daughter were entertained, from Thursday until Saturday, at the home of her sister, Mrs. James Makeever, of Marion.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Simpson and son, Luba, and Mr. and Mrs. Heath Garberson went to Pemberville, Saturday, where they are guests of the former's daughter, Mrs. John Rolf.

George Schlientz went to Cardington, Saturday, where he passed the holiday with relatives.

Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Baker and daughters, Wave and Mildred, were guests of the former's brother and family at Delaware, Saturday and Sunday.

George Glathart, who has been working at his trade of brick mason at Cleveland the past few months, returned here Saturday and will be the guest of relatives a few days.

LeRoy Fields, an employe in the railway mail office at Crestline, visited relatives here Christmas day.

A pie social and watch-meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Ault, Friday evening.

The rank of esquire was conferred on one candidate by the Knights of Pythias lodge, Monday evening, the largest attendance of the season being present to witness the work.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hummer visited, Saturday and Sunday, with relatives at Bucyrus.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Highly and daughter, Goldeth, and son, Herbert, were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Levi Cornwell, of Marion, Saturday and Sunday.

Charles Campbell, who travels through Illinois and Wisconsin, arrived here Monday and will spend the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Campbell, east of town.

Clare Galleher, formerly Big Four agent at Mt. Victory, was the guest of friends here Monday. He has resigned from the service of the railroad and accepted a position in the county auditor's office at Kenton.

Budge Decker, who has been employed in the B. & O. railroad office at Lorain for several months, returned to his home here Monday.

Leslie Rinker, of Cleveland, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Rinker, Christmas.

Mrs. J. W. Thew and daughter, Sylvia, of south of town, went to Durand, Michigan, Thursday, where they will be the guests of relatives a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Donnenwirth entertained the latter's brother, Adam Guise, of Nappanee, Indiana, Wednesday of last week.

Naomi Pittman, a student at Buchtel college, Akron, is spending the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Pittman.

Mrs. H. M. Hart and daughter, Helena Mary, are spending the week with relatives at New Washington.

George Coen, of Pawnee, Oklahoma, is a guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Coen, east of town.

Edward Ryan was at Muncie, Indiana, the latter part of last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Price and two children were guests of relatives at Galion, Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Martin, of near Morral, visited from Friday until Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Martin.

Harry Rule, of Bucyrus, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kelly, Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. G. F. Thompson spent Christmas day with relatives at Woodstock.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Landes and William E. Landes, of Marion, were entertained, Sunday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Landes.

School was dismissed, Friday, for a week's vacation. The scholars were given a nice treat by their teachers.

Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Kring spent the latter part of last week with relatives at Galion.

Mrs. Ella Brown, of Crawfordsville, Indiana, is a guest at the home of her mother, Mrs. William Brocklesby, this week.

Mrs. John Thomas and little son, of Columbus, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Anderson, over Christmas.

FORMER MARION MAN A PNEUMONIA VICTIM

W. E. Murphy Dies at His Home in Baltimore.

Charles L. Murphy received a message, Thursday, announcing the death of his brother, W. E. Murphy, at Baltimore, Maryland, Wednesday.

Mr. Murphy was thirty-seven years of age and single. His death was caused by pneumonia. About fourteen years ago, he was employed in this office as a compositor, for about three months. At the time of his death he was a salesman in a large furniture house in Baltimore.

Mr. Murphy left Thursday evening, for his parents home at Rushville, where the remains of his brother were brought for burial.

WILLIAM H. HUNT IS GIVEN APPOINTMENT

He Will Serve as Agent of Wells Fargo Company.

FRANK L. HUNTER TO RETIRE FROM PLACE

Finds the Indoor Work Unattractive. A Former Marion Man Is in Line To Win Fortune from a Patent. The Good Fortune of George Braham—Railroad Notes.

Frank L. Hunter, who was recently appointed agent of Wells Fargo & Company's express, has tendered his resignation and will be succeeded by Will H. Hunt, who has been with the company a number of years and has had broad experience in the express service.

Mr. Hunter's decision to retire from the agency was based wholly on his dislike for office work. When he accepted the position, he thought it possible that the work might be agreeable, but after a service of years on the road he quickly decided he would prefer the freedom of the road to the confinement and annoyances of an office position.

Mr. Hunt is one of the best-liked young men in Marion. Whole-souled and ever agreeable, he has surrounded himself with hundreds of friends, and his friends feel sure of his success. He has had considerable experience along the lines to be followed by an agent in a position such as the Marion agency affords and will step into the place well acquainted with the details of the place and fortified to meet the grist of annoyances that sometimes make life miserable for an agent. He will begin his duties about January 1 and Mr. Hunter will return to the run on which he has long been recognized as a veteran.

The names of George Braham and John Lill, two Hammond men, may become famous in railroad circles owing to a patent on a brake, letters patent for which are about to be granted them in Washington. Mr. Braham is employed as a mechanic at the Fitz-Hugh Luther Locomotive works, while Mr. Lill is employed as a railroad brakeman. They formed a partnership and have succeeded in patenting a brake, the principal feature of which is said to be the elimination of the brake beam. The patent is so well thought of by the New York Central lines that they have decided to take it up and try it out on a car. This insures the Hammond men a hearing, so to speak, and they feel satisfied that their patent will be successful. Their patent will not only be less complicated than the present brake beam, and less expensive, but eliminates another factor which cause wrecks, that of the dropping of the brake beam. The patent was put through the United States patent office by Attorney Fred Barnett and a Washington attorney. Braham formerly resided in this city and is a son-in-law of A. M. Peoples. He was employed on the Erie here and is very well known. Among his more intimate friends he is better known as "Red Shirt."

Ride in Country.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hamilton, Mr and Mrs Frank H. King, Mr. and Mrs. W. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Earl T. Smart Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Mc-Kinniss and Mr. and Mrs. W A Longbon enjoyed a bob-sled ride to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H Holverstott, east of the city, Wednesday evening, where they were welcomed cordially and served a bounteous dinner. The evening was devoted to the game of hearts and social cha

ENUMERATOR'S TEST FAR FROM DIFFICULT

Persons of Common School Training Will Pass.

THE CHARACTER OF QUESTIONS SUBMITTED

Every Applicant Will Get a Fair Chance and Will Receive a Paper in Advance Showing How Questions Are To Be Answered and the Blanks Properly Filled.

Washington, Dec. 30.—By January 25 all applications for the positions of enumerators in the thirteenth decennial United States census must be filed with the supervisors of census for the supervisors' districts in which the applicants reside. Between that date and February 5 the supervisors will send out cards to applicants informing them where they are to report for the "test" to be held in every one of the 330 supervisors' districts on February 5 only.

Census Director Durand emphatically states that persons desiring to hold such positions should not stand in fear of the "test" to be made. Any person of average public-school education who can write plainly and reasonably fast will go through the "test" with "colors flying." In fact, the "test" is intended simply to help the supervisors pick suitable persons and to enable the director of the census to exercise intelligently his power of approval of those whom the supervisors designate for appointment.

It will involve the filling in of either a sample population schedule, by those who will make the count in the cities, or of both a sample population and agricultural schedule, by candidates who will enumerate the country.

To prepare the way and to insure every applicant being given a fair chance, the supervisors will send in advance to each and every candidate a set of printed instructions for filling in these sample schedules.

"We consider that a very important point," said Acting Census Director Willoughby today, "not only in treating these candidates fairly and giving them a chance to answer the questions properly, but also as a means of education of the candidates who are afterward to be appointed.

"They will study more thoroughly the instructions for filling in these schedules if they realize their chances of appointment depend upon that study than if they were appointed first and had to do the studying afterwards. You will see, therefore, that this test is not an appalling thing. It is not for the purpose of keeping people out of the places. It is applied simply to enable the director to eliminate those who are plainly incompetent. Any person of good judgment and ordinary common-school education—for the work requires some little thinkin power—can easily pass the test."

Between February 5 and February 22 the supervisors will go through the "test" papers, satisfy themselves as the qualifications of those who have passed, and make their designations or recommendations to the census director. The next step will be the director's approval, and then the supervisors will issue the commissions to the enumerators.

Director Durand expects to have the army of 67,000 or more enumerators picked, tested, designated, and commissioned by the middle or latter part of March. From then on until April 15 the supervisors will send the enumerators circulars and books of instructions concerning the meaning of the schedule questions and the way the enumerators should write in the answers obtained from the people of the country.

It is very probable that census special agents may be assigned to certain supervisors' districts for the purpose of meeting the enumerators personally and giving them additional information concerning the character of their duties.

Application forms, with complete directions concerning the method of preparing them, can be secured by writing at once to the supervisor named in the list appended whose district embraces the place of residence of the applicant.

Ohio—First district, Frederick C. Hicks, Cincinnati, Hamilton county; Second district, Frank P. Richter, Hamilton, Butler county; Third district, Joshua E. Russell, Sidney, Shelby county; Fourth district, John H. Schrider, Bryan, Williams county; Fifth district, Stacy A. Mitchell Wilmington, Clinton county; Sixth district, Harry B. Weaver, Circleville, Pickaway county; Seventh district, Core S. Ireland, Urbana, Champaign county; Eighth district, Robert J. West, Toledo, Lucas county; Ninth district, John W. Kern, Jr., Beaver, Pike county; Tenth district, Tiffin Gilmore, Chillicothe, Ross county; Eleventh district, John E. Todd, Columbus, Franklin county; Twelfth district, Thomas J. Maxwell, Fremont, Sandusky county; Thirteenth district, Perry S. Williams, Elyria, Lorain county; Fourteenth district, Sherman M. Granger, Zanesville, Muskingum county; Fifteenth district, Charles D. Simeral, Steubenville, Jefferson county; Sixteenth district, Peter C. Given, Wooster, Wayne county; Seventeenth district, John P. Jones, Canton, Stark county; Eighteenth district, Charles W. Wickline, Akron, Summit county; Nineteenth district, Mattoon M. Curtis, Cleveland, Cuyahoga county.

RAILROAD JACK ARRIVES IN CITY

Makes His Bed on Roof of Y. M. C. A. Building.

"Railroad Jack" arrived in the city, Wednesday evening, and will remain here about one month. At a social meeting held at the Y. M. C. A. building, Wednesday evening, he discussed timely topics at some length and was heard with a great deal of interest. He is one of the most remarkable students of biography in the world and is able to give the life history of about 3,000 prominent people figuring in the world's history. Aside from his lecturing, he devotes his entire time to the study of biographies.

Whenever stopping in a city, he sleeps on the roof of the Y. M. C. A. building, very seldom consenting to occupy a room. For more than twenty years, he has lived an outdoor life. Thursday he swept the roof of the Y. M. C. A. building clear of snow and arranged his sleeping quarters to suit his tastes.

WILL TURN OVER THE MONEY TO TREASURER

William Goodnow Has $970.66 Due Him from Estate.

FATHER OF THE LATE JOSEPHUS GOODNOW

Motion Filed in the Matter of Benjamin F. Adams Against Tod Boyd and Others—Reply in the Suit of McGuire Against Hensel—Some Common Pleas Court Notes.

Sheriff John G. Stark posted a notice in the court-house to the effect that within thirty days he will turn over to County Treasurer W. C. Wottring $970.66 which belongs to William Goodnow if living. Goodnow is the father of the late Josephine Goodnow, whose parent has been missing for a number of years. The money accumulated in the hands of the sheriff as the result of a suit in partition filed, March 21, 1908.

George McGuire, guardian of Goldie B., Delbert E. and Ora L. Hensel, through Attorney Fred W. Warner, has filed a reply to the answer of William Hensel in the suit of George McGuire, guardian, against Elizabeth Hensel and others. Not knowing whether or not Josiah W. Hensel, deceased, ever made any advances to Harry E. Hensel, the plaintiff sets up a denial and asks that the interests of his three wards be set off to him in severalty.

In the damage suit of Benjamin F. Adams against Tod Boyd and others, Tod Boyd has filed a motion in the common pleas court to require the plaintiff to make his petition more definite and certain. Ophelia Boyd has filed a motion in the same suit to strike the plaintiff's amended petition from the files for the alleged reason that it does not comply with the court's order made upon the sustaining of the motion on the original petition. Harry Boyd has filed a demurrer setting up that the amended petition does not state facts sufficient to entitle the plaintiff to the relief prayed against the defendants.

Attorney L. E. Myers represents the defendants.

The answer and cross-petition of Earle R. Wilson in the suit of Ava C. Hane against Wilson R. Dumble and others to set aside the last will and testament of the late Harvey Wilson was filed in the common pleas court, Wednesday, by Attorneys C. H. Conley, F. E. Guthery and D. R. Crissinger. He sets up that, under section 5961, revised statutes of Ohio, he is entitled to one-third interest, subject to the dower of his mother, in the estate of his father, Harvey Wilson. This section provides that where a child is absent and is reported dead at the time of the making of the will, he or she shall be entitled to his or her inheritance in the event he or she returns. In this case Earle R. Wilson was declared dead by the probate court and his wife procured his property as his "widow." Later it developed that Wilson was alive and she obtained a divorce from him at Goldfield, Nevada, where Wilson had filed an action for a divorce.

Shortly after the divorce decree was granted, Ava C. Hane, a sister of Earle Wilson, brought an action in the common pleas, naming her brother as one of the defendants.

Benjamin F. Adams against Tod Boyd and others is the title of an action taken up on appeal from the court of Justice Charles H. Conley. The plaintiff seeks to recover judgment for $49.15 for work and labor.

Sixty-five thousand enumerators will take the next census.

JACOB GRINNER THE VICTIM OF ACCIDENT

Suffers the Dislocation of His Left Shoulder.

TANGLES FEET IN WIRE AND FALLS VERY HARD

Victim Is Given Prompt Surgical Attention by Dr. E. E. Matthews. People Visiting Martel and in the Vicinity During the Past Week. Other Village Notes.

Martel, Dec. 29.—[Special.]—Jacob Grinner, of near Galion, met with quite a serious accident here, Friday evening, while on his way to W. F. Weldamier's store. His feet became entangled in some wire which was lying across the sidewalk and he was thrown violently to the ground. As a result he suffered a dislocation of the left shoulder blade. He was taken to the home of Liberty Reece where Dr. E. E. Matthews rendered the proper attention. He was able to return to Galion, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Kurtz and daughter, Mildred, are visiting friends at Edison.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Edler and son, of Galion, and Miss Mabel Seckel, of Caledonia, were entertained at the John Hofstetter home, east of town, Saturday.

Master Wesley Burton left, Tuesday, for an extended visit with his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Ann Steadman, at New Winchester.

Miss Ruth Helleman left, Monday, for a visit with Bucyrus relatives and friends.

Mrs. W. F. Weidamier is visiting friends in Marion, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Williams were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williams, at Warwick, from Friday until Monday.

Miss Mary Coulter, of Mansfield, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Marguerite Billet, here this week.

Miss Lulu Markey was the guest of friends in Marion, Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. G. J. Helleman and son, Karl, are making an extended visit with relatives at Bucyrus.

Master Donald Matthews arrived home, Saturday, after a pleasant visit at the home of his aunt, Mrs. W. T. Blue, in Marion.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kerr spent Christmas at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mumford, in Marion.

Ralph Downs, who is employed in Marion, spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Downs.

Mrs. O. J. Quaintance and children, of Marion, are visiting at the Jacob Crock home, west of town, this week.

Miss Hazel Markey, who is attending school in Marion, arrived home, Thursday, for a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. Catherine Markey, south of town.

Burton and Iven Downs were Galion visitors, Wednesday.

Mrs. A. S. Downs left, Monday, for a visit with relatives at Marion and Monnette.

Miss Hazel Clark, of Marion, is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Matthews, this week.

Mrs. Harry Deweese and son, Forest, returned to their home in Galion, Monday, after a pleasant visit at the home of Mrs. Deweese's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Loyer.

Marion Bonner, of LaRue, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. L. A. Weirick, south of town.

Revival services closed at the M. E. church here, Thursday evening, after having been in progress nearly three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Auld entertained, Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Finney and daughters, Luella and Helen, of Mansfield; William Finney, of Cleveland, and Mrs. Margaret Auld, of Iberia.

Master Iven Weirick is suffering of a severe attack of pneumonia.

Miss Nettie Loyer, of Galion, arrived home, Monday, for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Loyer, west of town.

C. F. Trefz was a business visitor in Marion several days last week.

Van Watts, Clarence Rutherford and Robert Williams were entertained at Christmas dinner at the J. E. Cyphers home, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Watts are making an extended visit at the home of their son, Harry, at Pittsburg.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

A marriage license has been issued to Miss Leola Ann Scranton, of La Rue, and Charlie Clinton Engel, of Wyandot county.

A marriage license has been issued to Miss Nellie Dodrill and Lewis Lehner.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Miss Fern C. Halstead and John T. Cleveland, both of La Rue; Miss Irene Bruce and Frank A. Hersey; Miss Nola F. Davis and Alton H. Baer, and Miss Sarah Alberta Neal and Loren E. Weler.

A marriage license has been issued to Miss Carrie Parish and George W. Hardin, both of La Rue.

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Chief Forester Pinchot talks a lot like a man impressed with the view that one might just as well die for a sheep as a lamb

If the late King Leopold didn't marry the Baroness Vaughan, as now intimated, it goes to show that he was consistent to the last

Mrs. Brokaw having assured us that champagne and ginger ail taste the same, we have, at last, acquired a pretty fair idea of the taste of champagne

No, Constant Reader, it would not be fair to judge of married life by the record of the New York divorce courts. It's the exception and not the rule which makes news

Has it ever struck you as remarkable how Dr Cook's fraud escaped detection so long as it did, considering the number of people who have given you their assurances that they "suspected him from the very first?"

While we must not be taken as championing the action of some of the Newport set, we unhesitatingly give it as our opinion that rendering aid and comfort to the striking New York shirtwaist makers is a decided improvement as a society fad over giving monkey dinners

Twenty thousand dollars were dug up on a Maryland farm, but it's hard to understand why our agriculturist friends waste their time digging for gold when they can sit by their warm fires and accomplish the same result by allowing the prices of farm produce to soar

The next Arctic explorer who starts lecturing will run up against a harder frost than any ever encountered in the vicinity of the pole

Looks like a waste of time for the president to get out his 4 000 word definition of whisky just as everybody had about decided to turn over a new leaf and cut it out

The prophets who claimed that a dry town means a dead one, aren't getting much enjoyment out of talking with merchants on the subject of the local holiday business

The reward offered Mayor Whitlock for his support of Governor Harmon is hardly sufficiently tangible to take the mayor out of the class of patriots who labor without hope

The wires having told us that Colonel Roosevelt is now hunting the sitatung, there are some people who will not be able to sleep until it is demonstrated them that a sitatung is not merely another name for a renomination

Prohibition does not necessarily prohibit, but the police records show that it has a decidedly sobering effect

An Oklahoma man, named Blue married a girl named Yellow If that isn't a green combination we miss our guess

We assume that it would not be outside the bounds of truth to say that snow fell in the city to a depth of 22 8 inches while Philadelphia slept

There's no denying that the dry wave has been the means of booming the suitcase and satchel industries.

While we admire Mr Pinchot's bravery, we can not help wondering if the chief forester has ever read that line to the effect that it is better to be a live coward than a dead hero.

There's a great similarity between the line of talk being put out by Zelaya at present and that uttered by Castro, but it will be remembered that Castro never went back to reclaim his presidential honors

The Washington Post observes "You may label the whisky whatever you will, but the jug of old red eye remains with it still In the fact of expert testimony even the most doubting Thomas should be willing to admit that President Taft is right.

The New York World takes the most charitable view of the Cook case by saying The fixed idea of great achievement is one of the most common forms of aberration Asylums are full of self made emperors, inventors explorers and founders of new religions Such delusions may even exist in men ordinarily accounted sane."

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL HOLDS AN ELECTION

Officers Chosen To Serve During Next Year

HOGAN RESIDENCE IS SCENE OF GATHERING

A Family Reunion at Which Nearly All the Members of the Family Are Present—Ernest Wiley Suffers a Runaway Accident—Notes Gathered at Meeker

Meeker Dec 1—[Special.] An important meeting of the Sunday school board was held Sunday morning at which time officers were chosen for the coming year as follows George H Davis superintendent James Emmons assistant superintendent Zelda James secretary Howard Virden treasurer Marie Davis cradle roll superintendent Mrs Jennie Hatfield superintendent of home department Lois McElvy organist Carrie Meirs assistant organist Mrs Lydia Davis missionary treasurer L L Spangler secretary of library Lester Virden and Irvin Brown librarians

Burdetta Moon of Marion and Hortense Thomas of Sterling arrived here Saturday evening for a visit with their grandparents Mr and Mrs J J Moon

Lewis Kennedy of Traverse City Michigan is spending a few days here calling on old friends and relatives

Mr and Mrs Harry Fields and Eliza Carnes of Hillsdale Michigan are guests of their parents Mr and Mrs William Carnes during the holiday vacation

Mrs Isaiah Beavers and Beryle Brady of Marion were guests of Mr and Mrs Alexander Brady Friday

Mr and Mrs H C Frame were guests of their daughter Mrs Herbert Davis and family in Marion Saturday

Mr and Mrs Ferris Day and family and their guests Mr and Mrs Jerry Thommison of LaRue were entertained at the home of Mr and Mrs William D[illegible] near Morral Saturday

Mildred Day and LeRoy Anderson were guests of Mr and Mrs Anson Farish Christmas

Mr and Mrs Reuben Dorlon were guests of Mrs Dorlon's mother Mrs Elizabeth Rizor southwest of LaRue Saturday

Mr and Mrs C H Davis spent Christmas with Mr and Mrs John Baldauf in Marion

The Christmas exercises and tree at the church this year were much enjoyed a special feature being the presence of Santa Claus his wife and four children whose costumes caused much merriment A little play by the children was well rendered

A family dinner at the home of Mr and Mrs John Hogan north of Meeker made Christmas a happy day for those present All of the children and grandchildren were present except Mrs Albert Fletcher and family of near Upper Sandusky

Mrs Samuel Buslirk was the guest of Marion friends Thursday

Mr and Mrs Thomas Moon Mrs Georgia Metz and son Haskell Lloyd Moon and Mr and Mrs Edward Moon of Columbus enjoyed a Christmas dinner with Mr and Mrs William Hatfield

Mr and Mrs Ernest Wiley spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs Henry Wiley east of town The elder Mrs Wiley has been quite ill of grip but is somewhat improved

Emery Brunner spent several days of last week with his sister Mrs Lillie Huggins in Lima

Mr and Mrs King Clemens of Haviland Kansas are visiting relatives and friends here after an absence of more than twenty years

Mrs Flora McCleary returned to her home near Salem Sunday after spending a week with her mother Mrs James Brittin east of the village and other relatives here

Mr and Mrs Harvey McIntire were guests of Mr and Mrs M S Burge at LaRue Saturday and of Mr and Mrs James McIntire north of Meeker Sunday

Mr and Mrs Jane Sprague entertained the following guests at their home Christmas day Mr and Mrs John Hecker and daughter Ruth Ella of near Agosta Mrs A [illegible] and son Donald of Marion and Mr and Mrs Charles Sprague and daughters Donna Fern and Delight

Mr Cookston made a business trip to Columbus Tuesday

Misses Florence Ley and Emma Day attended a party at the home of Miss Desla Neff near Morral Monday evening

Mrs William Kennedy is the guest of her daughter Mrs S H Baker of Marion for a few days

A team belonging to and driven by Ernest Wiley ran away Tuesday morning It became frightened in front of Pfeiffer's blacksmith shop and ran about half a mile overturning the sled and throwing Mr Wiley out He escaped uninjured After kicking loose from the sled they ran on until stopped by Thomas McCleary

Carl the seven months old son of Mr and Mrs John Brunner is very seriously ill at their home here

Mr and Mrs Claude Cates served an elaborate dinner Sunday to a company of friends and relatives numbering thirty six in honor of Mrs Cates brother Ransom Irvin and his bride Christmas bells and garlands made the house gay and bright and good cheer prevailed Those present were Mr and Mrs F A Solomon and sons Melvin and Frank and daughter Nora and Mrs Hattie Showalter of Prospect Mrs Harry Ellis Mrs Bertha Merkl and Mr James Hinnaman of Marion Mr and Mrs H N Moon of Agosta Misses Nannie Wallace and Mary Irwin and Mrs R W Irwin of Morral Mr and Mrs A D Schultz Mr and Mrs Charlie Mount and daughter Phoeb Mr and Mrs Henry Rhoads and daughter Mildred Mr and Mrs Milton Rhoad Mr and Mrs Walter Wann and Mr and Mrs Homer Rhoads and children [illegible] and Lucia Mae of this place

WALDO NEWS NOTES OF PAST FEW DAYS

People Visiting at Waldo and in the Vicinity

Waldo Dec [illegible] [Special] Miss Hilda Russell of Mt Gilead is spending the week with Mr and Mrs [illegible] Kessell

William Michels Sr is quite ill

William Fendler of Ada is spending his vacation with his parents east of town

Mrs W C Michel and son Robert were guests of Marion friends this week

Lewis H Compton spent several days in Marion during the Christmas holiday

Mr and Mrs Elmer Schneiders and children of Kidner were guests of Waldo friends during the holidays

George Michels and sons Victor and Paul were Ashley visitors Tuesday

Revival meetings are in progress at the M E church under the direction of Rev George Fulham

R O Morris is spending the week with Columbus friends

Mr and Mrs Calvin Higgins who have been the guests of friends here the past seven weeks left Monday for Marion and Lima where they will make short visits after which they will return to their home in Oklahoma

D Odell [illegible] Bue[illegible] Waldo visitors Sunday

Mrs Vera Caulkin and [illegible] Mrs Etta Shaw and Clifford Lam were Marion visitors Friday

Mr and Mrs M H [illegible] spent the Christmas with Marion friends

S W Allman [illegible] was a Columbus visitor Tuesday

Mr and Mrs Walter H[illegible] of Marion spent Christmas with their parents Mr and Mrs E [illegible] Huff [illegible] west of town

Mr and Mrs William [illegible] were guests of Mr Grolls [illegible] Prospect over Christmas

PROGRAM RENDERED BY SUNDAY-SCHOOL

Pleasant Affair at the Agosta M E Church

COMPANY GATHERS AT THE RUSLER HOME

Mr and Mrs Myron Rusler Are Host and Hostess to Thirty-Five of Their Neighbors—An Oyster Supper Is Served—Mrs Matilda Longuet Entertains Friends

Agosta Dec 31—[Special]—A very entertaining program was given by the members of the M E Sunday school at the church Friday evening This was followed by a distribution of presents from a handsomely decorated Christmas tree

Carl Richards of Crivitz Wisconsin is the guest of his parents Mr and Mrs R O Richard

Mr and Mrs Lester Crimm and daughter Nina of Bellefontaine were guests Saturday of Frank Crimm and family

Mrs Matilda Longuet entertained Saturday Mr and Mrs H F White Huntington Indiana Mrs C M Reeves and children of Enterprise Mrs Virginia Hewitt Longuet and children Paul Esther and Mary of Marion

Mr and Mrs Myron Rusler entertained a company of thirty five neighbors at their home three miles south of town Wednesday evening Mr and Mrs Rusler will soon move to the Conway farm [illegible] of town which they have purchased An oyster supper was served and dancing was enjoyed until a late hour

Mrs Rebecca Smith of Dunkirk is visiting Mr and Mrs William [illegible] Cleveland

Miss Sophia Bu[illegible] Pennsylvania was the guest of acquaintances here Monday and Tuesday

Carlton and Clayton [illegible] Fort Jefferson [illegible] the holidays with [illegible] Mr and Mrs J C S[illegible]

Mr and Mrs Cha[illegible] and [illegible] Marvin [illegible] with the former's [illegible] Mrs J E Branhou[illegible] farm house Christmas

Mr and Mrs H [illegible] Marion Mr and Mrs [illegible] Morral [illegible] Hill [illegible] Charles Wil[illegible] hams and Clem Wi[illegible] Camp [illegible] of Green [illegible] Elizabeth Miller Sunday

Warren Dunson [illegible] Galion [illegible] Monday for a visit with David Souse[illegible] and family

Thomas M[illegible] [illegible] Mr [illegible] Kirkpatrick is [illegible] Knight [illegible] Monday

Mr and Mrs Wil[illegible] Marion [illegible] after visiting Mr [illegible] Brady

Mr and Mrs Wil[illegible] Holvers [illegible] Mrs William Gray [illegible] Miss Lona Dixon of Marion Friday and Saturday with W [illegible] Dupon and family

Mrs Arthur Crew [illegible] and son of Galion were guests of Mr and Mrs Edward Payne from Friday until Sunday

May Young and Vera Johnston were LaRue visitors Wednesday

Mrs Nellie Sparks and daughter Bertha of Columbus spent Christmas with the former's mother Mrs A Godfrey

Fred Virtue of Dayton was a business visitor here Tuesday

Mrs Amandah Cooper is suffering with a serious attack of pneumonia

Mr and Mrs J Berger and children of Marion were guests Saturday of Joseph Burley and family

Lemoyne Cimouse who has been the guest of his parents Mr and Mrs F J Cimouse went to Cleveland Monday to visit friends before resuming his studies at the University of Chicago

THE STRAWDERS HOME SCENE OF SMALL FIRE

Christmas Decorations Are Ignited by a Candle

Morral Dec 31—[Special]—A small fire occurred at the home of Mr and Mrs Saul Strawders Saturday evening when a spark from a candle ignited the Christmas decorations in a large front window The damage amounted to about $1

Masters Marwin Barnhouse of Agosta and Whitcomb Barnhouse of Toledo visited from Saturday until Tuesday with their grandparents Mr and Mrs J P Barnhouse

Miss Mary Court of Findlay is visiting friends here this week

Mr and Mrs S J Clinger and little daughter of Marion visited relatives here Sunday

Mrs Harvey Clark and children visited relatives in Crestline from Friday until Sunday

Mr and Mrs C W Welsh visited from Friday until Monday with relatives at Chicago Junction

Mr and Mrs O Washburn and daughter Mildred and son Karl and Mr and Mrs Thomas Hedges spent Christmas with Mr and Mrs Harpster Taylor near Upper Sandusky

Mr and Mrs J Stouffer entertained the following children and grandchildren at a fine Christmas dinner Mr and Mrs Lemuel Wood and children Bertha Edna Dwight and Howard Mr and Mrs C J Starkey Mr and Mrs S M Stouffer and son Dwight Mr and Mrs W C Hawk and sons Orner and Fred Mr and Mrs C E Stouffer and son Clifford Ben Starkey of South Bloomingville and Mr Rosannah Morral

Clarence [illegible] of Marion visited at the home of Mr and Mrs W Hase north of town from Friday until Sunday Mrs William Book and little son Russell visited at the same place Monday

Mr and Mrs C H Poole and children Lawrence and [illegible] visited over Christmas with relatives in Columbus

Mr and Mrs H A Martin and children Hopewell and Leroole spent Christmas at the home of Mr and Mrs J S Neff south of Big Island

Mr and Mrs William Founds spent Sunday in Marion

Mr and Mrs S M Stouffer and son Dwight visited at the home of Mr and Mrs H S Ruhl in Marion Sunday

David Landon Misses Verdella Pfrad and Marguerite Beck spent Saturday in Marion

Karl Richards of Agosta visited at the home of his brother F A Richards this week

Little Miss Mildred Founds is visiting her grandparents in Marion

As a result of a contest between the Blues and Reds in the Odd Fellow lodge the Reds will banquet the Blues and their families Thursday night at the Odd Fellows hall

Mr and Mrs Loy Cookston and little son Raymond of Marion spent Christmas with Mrs Cookson's mother Mrs Sarah Busler

Dr Cunningham was called to McConnellsville Sunday evening by the death of his grandmother

Will Bosley of Rugby North Dakota is visiting his mother Mrs Lucinda Bosley

Miss Ida Riley of Marion visited Saturday and Sunday with Miss Zetta Giles

Miss Edith Miner of Ostrander is visiting her parents Mr and Mrs James Miner

Mrs J H Pardon and daughters Helen and Grace are guests at the home of Dr and Mrs S E Pretz at Nevada

Mrs Frank Fisher and Miss Edna Mauss of Marion visited this week at the home of Mr and Mrs C J Schultz

The Knights of Pythias lodge conferred the rank of knight on one candidate Wednesday night

Miss Roma Welsh went to Chicago Junction Thursday to visit relatives a few days

A QUEEN CITY BANKER GONE

Creditors of De Camp Anxious as to His Present Whereabouts

[illegible] D [illegible] Company [illegible] has been [illegible] to [illegible] tunnel [illegible] the [illegible] creditors [illegible] De Camp [illegible] for [illegible] his future [illegible] on At [illegible] to [illegible] ignorance of his whereabouts

[illegible] has been [illegible] inquiries about him from [illegible] sources [illegible] it is said [illegible] been left [illegible] and he has [illegible] at [illegible] the [illegible] to [illegible] from [illegible] session of [illegible]

In a good many cases a punch in the jaw is more effective than a civil answer

Uhler-Phillips A New Year's Sale *Uhler-Phillips*

Wholesale reductions: oftentimes you may save a half or more.

Coats, Suits, Capes and Skirts: here are values that will make this a memorable Sale indeed

$10 and $12 50 full length **Tailored Coats** $7 50

Fashionable practical long coats — cut along exceptionally pleasing lines good tailoring and satin yoke lining These mighty attractive genteel looking coats may be had in gray green or navy kersey or in heavy weight green diagonal

At $7 50 they will fly out in a hurry

Coats that earlier sold at $15 and $17 50 now $10 98
Coats that earlier sold at $18 50 and $20 now $12 50
Coats that earlier sold at $25 now $15

Military Capes at $5—worth $10

A mighty smart appearing military cape—that for its beats anything you have ever seen at the price we are asking It may be had in blue and black kersey green broadcloth and a beautiful double face Scotch weave herringbone **$5 worth $10**

Broadcloth Capes at $9 98

A beautiful military model lined with bright red flannel comes in a splendid quality blue and black broadcloth **Special at $9 98**

"Clearence" prices on Suits

Stylish practical tailored suits that will serve on through the winter and still be stylish next spring Some two hundred and a half or more go to these prices—

$8 98, 10, 12.50, 15, $19.75

Raincoats priced for "Clearance"

The $10 Raincoats at $6 98 are big roomy protecting garments of fine striped taffeta silk

The $15 Raincoats at $9 50 are the stylish double breasted coats of Moire and Ottoman silks

Were $10 & 15 now $6.98 & 9.50

Fur prices reach "rock bottom."

A brand new stock of **thoroughly dependable Furs**—including only the very newest, most fashionable shapes

It's the rarest kind of good luck—to get Furs of this character at our New Year's Sale Prices

$5 Coney Sets at $3 48

A neat pretty brown Coney slip scarf with pillow muff to match—this stylish little set at an unusual price **$3 48**

Black Coney set $10 worth $18 50.

Large natural head trimmed rug muff and shawl collar **$10**

Martin set $20 worth $30

Tail trimmed black martin shawl and barrel muff **$20**

Blue Wolf set $25 worth $40.

A beautiful animal effect scarf (shawl) with head and tails—and big rug muff **$25**

Dress Goods at "clearance" prices.

$1.50 Imported Satin finished clothes at $1.

Save 50c on every yard of these magnificent high grade imported cloths The selection is exceptionally extensive—satin Suedes satin cloths, spot proof Prunellas Roman cloths In the best shades of cadet and navy blue green, red cedar catawba etc

All are the best of $1 50 cloths **(see them in our Center Street Window)** reduced to **$1.00**

50c Suitings at 35c yard—fancy striped serges and prunellas in the best colors—and all 50c plain and shadow mohairs at 35c yard

Underwear & Hosiery Prices down.

Men's & Women's 50c underwear at 35.c

Friday and Saturday we will place on sale about **a thousand garments warm winter underwear**—at considerably less than regular whole sale cost **Women's 50c heavy fleece lined, shaped, fine ribbed cream and white pants and vests** in all sizes including extra sizes—and **men's 50c heavy fleeced shirts and drawers** in sizes 32 to 44 **Choice at** **35c**

Women's 15c matchless hose 11c pair—50 dozen pairs fine black stockings—light weight medium fleeced and heavy weights, 11c pair

The New Lewis Grocery

CHEESE

Our cheese list includes all of the best cheeses made, both here and abroad Anything that we do not handle we will be glad to order for you

Imported

Camembert, from France,	35c box
Roquefort, from France,	50c lb
Fromage De Brie, from France and domestic	40c lb
Gorgonzola, from Italy	
Goat, from Italy	40c lb
Swiss, from Switzerland,	40c lb
Fromage De Broie, from France	$1 10 each
Parmesan (grated) England,	25c bottle

Domestic

Full cream (snappy and mild)	24c lb
Sweitzer	24c lb
Pineapple	50c each
Neufchatel (foil packages)	5c ea.
Philadelphia cream (foil packages)	12½c lb
Snappy (foil packages)	10c lb
Long Horn	24c lb
Sage (full cream with sage)	25c lb
Brick	24c lb
Limburger	24c lb
De Insigna (similar to Camembert)	35c box
Hand (Haand Kase)	2 cakes 5c
Royal (in jars)	10c, 15c, 25c
McLaren's (in jars)	10c, 15c, 25c

Just telephone 130

R. T. Lewis & Co.

Opposite Court House.

Stable Blankets, $1.00 to $5.00.

Horse Blankets, $1.25 to $9.00.

All Kinds of Robes.

Just received a big stock of these, and they represent the best values ever offered. Also sleigh bells, foot warmers, storm fronts etc

P. W. RINGER.

Successor to W H Siples

North Main Street.

Every time a man fails to make good he invents a new excuse

The less a woman has to say the longer it takes her to say it

After burying the hatchet some people borrow an ax.

BATCH OF PERSONALS GATHERED AT PROSPECT

Many Visitors at the Village During Past Week.

PROSPECT PEOPLE DO SOME VISITING

Where Many of the Residents Spend Christmas—Mrs. William Fritch and Daughter Return to Warren. Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Beavers Back from a Visit at Perrysville.

Prospect, Dec. 29.—[Special.]—Mrs. William Fritch and daughter, Marjorie, returned to their home near Warren, Tuesday, having spent a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Court.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Beavers and daughters, Florence and Isabel, visited the past week with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Beavers, at Perrysville.

Misses Martha Cellars, of Toledo, and Pauline Cellars, of Mon Clova, visited their mother, Mrs. T. J. Cellars, during the holidays.

Mrs. Nettie Gilmore spent Saturday with her nieces, Harriett and Mary Ropp, at Delaware.

Vida Shuey, of Toledo, was the guest of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. Shuey, during the holidays.

Albert Weiser, of Capital university, at Columbus, spent last week with his aunt, Mrs. C. Cope.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Neimeyer and son, of Marion, were guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Neimeyer, Saturday and Sunday.

Stanley Humphreys is spending the holidays with relatives at Albion, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sauer and children, of Washington C. H., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Harmon and other relatives the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Isler and son, Fred, visited relatives in Toledo from Friday to Sunday.

Will Spice, of Akron, spent Christmas at the home of Dr. R. H. Finefrock.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Meredith, of Columbus; Mr. and Mrs. George Wolfley and daughter, Nannie, of Radnor; Mr. and Mrs. John Humphreys were entertained at the home of Harvey Wolfley Christmas.

Mrs. W. M. Pettit, of Dayton, spent the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Greek.

Mrs. George Johnson was the guest of her son, L. E. Johnson, in Columbus, Saturday.

Mrs. Flora McPherson, Mrs. Clement Luellen and mother, Mrs. Will Powell, of Richwood, visited the past week with Mrs. Joseph Curren at Plainwell, Michigan.

Miss Gail Jones, of Marion, was the guest of Miss Susie Cox, Saturday.

John Evans, who has been taking treatment for his eyes at Mercy hospital in Columbus, spent the past week with his family here.

Paul Richmond, of Cleveland, visited his aunt, Miss Florence Hoyman, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Crabb, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crabb, of Springfield; Mrs. Bessie Milligan, of Plainfield, Illinois, visited the past week with Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Crabb.

Robert Curry, of Columbus, was the guest of Charles Collmer, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keefe, of Cleveland; Mr. and Mrs. Dillon Howser and children, Alonzo Hoskins and daughter, Ethel, were entertained at the home of Misses Ida and Alice Hoskins, Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stiffler and daughter, Geneva, of Marion, visited relatives here Sunday.

Vernon Reigle, superintendent of the schools here, spent the holidays with his family at Waterville.

Miss Mabel Conklin, of Edison, visited relatives here during the holidays.

Rasey Winegarner and family, of Salem, Illinois, are visiting Mrs. John Rouse and other relatives.

Fred Schelling, of Marion, was a guest at the home of Samuel Almindinger, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cummings are spending the holidays with relatives at Republic.

Percy Codding, of Cleveland; Max Codding and family, of La Rue, visited Mr. and Mrs. George Codding, Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ranney were guests of relatives at Mt. Gilead, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Will Stockman and children, of Marion, visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Davids, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Will Jacobs, of Richwood, was a guest at the home of her father, J. M. Gast, from Thursday to Sunday.

R. L. Osborn and family wkere entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller, in Marion, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Mayfield, of Detroit, were guests of relatives here during the holidays.

Messrs. Calvin Brown, of Mt. Gilead, and E. Slam, of Edison, were guests, Sunday, at the home of Benjamin Fox.

Mrs. V. W. McNeill and Mrs. Charles McNeal and son, Charles, were guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Hattie Carpenter, in Indianapolis, the past week.

Mrs. Cora Rodman, of Radnor, spent Saturday and Sunday with her father, Frank Fehr.

Mrs. A. L. Gast is spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Griffith, in Lafayette, Indiana.

A PLEASANT AFFAIR AT COUNTRY HOME

Church Societies Are Very Nicely Entertained.

Meeker, Dec. 29.—[Special.]—The members of the Y. T. C. U. of the churches of the villages in this vicinity were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. William LaRue at their country home near DeCliff, Tuesday evening. About 100 were present.

The house was pretty in holly and other Christmas decorations. The evening was passed with contests, music and games, after which a nice lunch was served. The souvenirs of the occasion were Christmas cards with tiny stockings attached.

THE CEREMONY IS CELEBRATED WEDNESDAY

Miss Macklin and Mr. George Myers Married.

Miss Carrie Salome Macklin and Mr. George Myers were united in marriage by Justice Charles H. Conley at his office, Wednesday at 10 o'clock, in the presence of a few friends.

The young people will make their future home on west Center street.

OPENING SESSION OF FARMERS' INSTITUTE

Farmers Gather at Caledonia To Enjoy Program.

TWO STATE SPEAKERS ARE IN ATTENDANCE

They Discuss Topics of the Farm in an Interesting Manner and Explain How Some Things of Real Importance Should Be Done—The Attendance Is Small.

Caledonia, Dec. 29.—[Special.]—The Marion County Farmers' institute opened its session at Caledonia, at 11 o'clock this morning, the attendance at the opening session being small. The institute was opened with a song by a quartet composed of J. A. Underwood, Harry Trout, Louis Ruhlman and Emma Trout, the accompaniment being played by Georgia Tedrow. The invocation was pronounced by Rev. James E. Gray and a song followed.

J. S. Brigham was the first state speaker on the program, his subject being "Necessity of Soil Fertility." He said in part that agriculture is the foundation of the nation and that we are dependent on it for our existence. One of the great problems that confronts us today is keeping the soil in a proper state of fertility to supply the great demand made on it. In early days, the soil was made very fertile by the heavy deposit of leaves and other matter from the large forests, but the conditions are now changed and these qualities of fertilizer must be supplied. Some farmers resort to the manufactured fertilizer, but this often contains organic matter which is not taken up by the ground fast enough and thereby is not effective. The speaker closed by advising the heavy use of barnyard manure.

"The Common Sense View of the Hog" was the subject of the address of G. L. Leaming, another state speaker. Mr. Leaming quoted the prices which were being paid for hogs at present and said that it meant many things to the farmer. Along the line of feeding, he said that it required good judgment as no such change has been wrought in any animal like that in the hog. Some years ago, it required some little time to fatten hogs and they were allowed to run wild. At present the hogs are kept within a certain range and fed in such a manner that they are rapidly fattened. One of the important things in the success of hog raising is cleanliness. Clean hogs do better and give a better quality of meat than filthy hogs. Hogs should not be stuffed, but their stomachs should be kept round to insure a strong and healthy condition.

FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT FOR STREET LIGHTING

The Sun Vapor Company Is Awarded the Contract.

A five-year contract for 185 street gas lights was awarded to the Sun Vapor Street Light company, of Canton, at a meeting of the board of public service, Wednesday evening.

The Canton company was the only bidder for the contract, its bid being $20.40 a lamp, or $2.35 lower on each light than its previous contract-price.

The probabilities are that there will be a readjustment of the present lamps, as there is a demand in some sections of the city for lights.

Beatty & Long's felts and overs will suit you because they wear well. 1

In the race for wealth the average man looms up among those who also ran.

THE TAX DUPLICATE SHOWS AN INCREASE

The County Has Property with a Tax Value of $19,194,940.

THE COUNTY AUDITOR FINISHES ABSTRACT

The Duplicate for the City of Marion Shows Property Valued at $7,145,980 Subject to Taxation—The Amount of Taxes To Be Collected. How Money Is Disbursed.

The *county tax duplicate* for 1909 amounts to $19,194,940 and the amount of taxes to be collected is $689,197.73, a substantial increase over the year 1908.

County Auditor Charles L. Allen has just completed his abstract. The county duplicate for 1908 was $18,942,220.

The state tax on the present duplicate will amount to $25,763.39, while the delinquent taxes on real property in the county will total $21,641.73. The delinquent personal tax is unusually heavy, amounting to $34,695.42. The delinquent real tax for the same period totaled $28,922.13.

The general fund will amount to $65,126.80. For 1908 it was $53,039.19, the increase being due to the decennial appraisement.

The amounts to be raised for the various other funds are as follows: Infirmary, $19,154.94; bridges, $13,408.48; Waddel Children's home, $10,630.99; indigent soldiers, $3,831; pike and road tax, $43,957.89; county debts, $6,895.79; township tax, $13,691.30; school, $167,798.03; specials, $134,891.11; city and village tax, $113,211.39; judicial, election and indigent blind, $12,259.12.

A year ago no levy was made for the infirmary on account of the liquor tax.

The dog tax will amount to $2,240.

The duplicate for the city of Marion is $7,145,980, from which a revenue of $309,967.80 will be derived for all purposes. The specials will amount to $70,640.52, which is over half of all in the county. The board of education will receive $80,098.09, or nearly $9,000 more than it received from the duplicate of 1908.

THREE LARGE BARNS BURNED AT RICHWOOD

Fire Alarm Fails To Work When Needed.

FLAMES SPREAD FAST AND DO MUCH DAMAGE

A Horse Owned by F. F. Browning Is Cremated in the Blaze—Losses Suffered by Various Persons Are *Only Partially Covered by Insurance*—Origin of Fire a Mystery.

Richwood, Dec. 29.—[Special.]—Three large barns were totally destroyed by fire at this place Tuesday night.

About 10 o'clock Delmar Cahill, son of Benton Cahill, who resides on south Franklin street, went to the basement of their home to fix the furnace for the night. Glancing from the basement windows he noticed a blaze at the barn. Rushing from the house he hurried to the nearest fire box, a short distance away. The alarm failed to work and he had some difficulty in notifying the department. By the time the department responded the Cahill barn and two adjoining barns were a mass of flames. As the barns could not be saved the attention was given to the houses in the neighborhood.

F. F. Browning, who conducts a meat-market here, kept his horse in the Cahill barn. The horse, which was a valuable one, could not be saved and perished. Mr. Browning also lost a large amount of hay and corn and his wagon and harness were burned. His loss is only partly covered by insurance, as is Mr. Cahill's.

The barn on the Jane Lake property and used by Rev. W. O. Williams was totally destroyed and was not insured. The J. L. Long barn, in which Mr. Long had some household goods stored, was only partially insured.

The origin of the fire is a mystery.

Face Is Burned.

Tuesday noon, J. L. Prettyman was badly burned about the face while warming coffee for his dinner at his blacksmith shop at Agosta. Mr. Prettyman had set the bucket of coffee on the stove to warm. When he removed the lid, gas had collected in the bucket and an explosion occurred, badly burning his face. Dr. E. Culbertson was called and dressed his wounds.

Prospect Affair.

In honor of the seventeenth anniversary of her birth, Miss Ruth Freeman pleasantly entertained a company of thirty-five friends at her home at Prospect, Tuesday evening. Music and games formed the pastime for the evening.

UNITED IN MARRIAGE IN HANCOCK COUNTY

Miss Opal Edseal and Mr. Charles C. Snyder.

A return on a marriage license obtained last November shows that Miss Opal May Edseal, of this city, and Charles C. Snyder, of Morrow county, were united in marriage in Hancock county, Christmas. Rev. Mr. Shissler performed the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Snyder will make their future home in Morrow county.

INANITION IS THE CAUSE OF DEATH

Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Foreman Lose Daughter.

Mary, aged four days, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Foreman, No. 357 Park boulevard, died of inanition, Wednesday at 10 o'clock at the family residence.

Burial took place in St. Mary's cemetery that afternoon at 3 o'clock.

JOINED IN MARRIAGE WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Miss Ambrose and Mr. Samuel J. Harris.

Miss Laura C. Ambrose and Mr. Samuel J. Harris, of Cleveland, were united in marriage by Justice Charles H. Conley at his office, about 2:30 o'clock Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Harris will reside in Detroit.

WILL DISCUSS VERY IMPORTANT MATTER

Question as To Taking Ohio Out of Racing Circuit.

MARION PEOPLE ARE SOMEWHAT INTERESTED

The Local Fair Association Is Identified with the American Trotting Association, Which Is in the Trust. Trouble Is Started Recently at Fremont—The Committees.

A conference as to the future of the American and National Trotting associations is to be held soon and its result will be of interest locally, as the Marion County Agricultural association is identified with the American association.

A United Press wire from Columbus Wednesday says:

Whether Ohio is to continue in the racing trust, contolling the races at fairs, is to be determined at a conference called for the rooms of the state department of agriculture, here, January 12. The American Trotting association and the National Trotting association will be represented, each by a committee of three, and the Ohio Fair association has appointed a committee of six. The trouble started at the recent meeting of the Ohio association at Fremont, when a resolution was adopted protesting about being compelled to pay heavy dues to both the American and National associations, under the trust agreement between the two, under that agreement one association will outlaw any fair not maintaining allegiance to the other. The Ohio association derives benefit only from the National, but is obliged to pay dues to the American or be outlawed by the National.

The Ohio committee at the coming conference will be composed of R. R. Grieve, of Xenia, president of the Ohio Fair association; A. W. Overmyer, of Fremont, secretary of the association; S. J. Vi[illegible]g, of Celina; F. H. Zerbe, of Sandusky; H. H. Haning, of Athens, and P. S. Ewart, of Akron.

THE DISSOLUTION OF A PARTNERSHIP

Jones & Wilson Will Make a Change. *January 1.*

The partnership of Jones & Wilson, insurance and real estate agents, is to be dissolved at the close of this year and Messrs. Jones and Wilson will engage in the business separately. The firm has been in existence for the past fourteen years, during which time it has been successful. For the past six years, it has occupied quarters in the Huber block.

The business of the firm has been divided, something like $[illegible]0,000 being involved in the deal. Mr. Jones will take the life and accident insurance and the real estate end of the business, having given the most of his attention during the partnership. Mr. Wilson will assume the fire and plate glass insurance, the bonds and liability end of the business, this having received the most of his attention. Involved in the deal is the Lincoln park addition and fifteen other properties which belong to the firm. The members of the present firm will occupy their present quarters in the Huber building but have separate offices.

Farm Land Sold

Mr. and Mrs. John Her[illegible] of Big Island township, have sold [illegible]85 acres in Marion and Wyandot counties to J. A. Hare, of Upper Sandusky, the consideration being $2[illegible],000. One hundred and twenty acres are in Marion county.

People who think twice before they speak seldom acquire reputations as boy orators.

CORNWELL RESIGNS POSITION AS CHIEF

Hands His Resignation to Mayor, Tuesday Night.

AN EFFICIENT OFFICIAL DURING EIGHT YEARS

Police Chief Will Enter Business at Lynchburg — Resignation Brings Regret to the Men Who Serve Under Him and to Hundreds of Friends in This City.

Chief of Police Levi Cornwell presented his resignation at the head of the police department and from the force to Mayor Louis Scherff, Tuesday night, the resignation to take effect January 1. The many friends of the chief will regret to learn of this action on his part, as they have been hoping he would continue in the service.

The action on the part of the chief did not come without some consideration. Several months ago he had an opportunity to better himself and since that time has held the matter under consideration. As the result of a visit made to the southern part of the state last week, the chief learned some things relative to his future chances and he at once decided to accept the opportunity. He made arrangements and closed a deal whereby he becomes the owner of a store at Lynchburg, a growing town located about fifty miles northeast of Cincinnati.

Chief Cornwell is at present the oldest man in point of service in the department. He served under J. M. Davidson as an officer for a period of *a year and a half* and has since served as chief of the department. In all, he has been on the force eight years. During this time he has proven a man of cool judgment and has given excellent service. His resignation has brought regret to the men under him and those who were over him in an official way.

Chief Cornwell will leave during the early part of January to look after his new business and feels assured that he will be successful in his undertaking. The best wishes of all his friends go with him. He does not intend moving his family to Lynchburg at the present, preferring to wait until spring.

School shoes that wear sold at Beatty & Long's cut price shoe store. 1

INCORPORATION OF A BIG MARION COMPANY

Company Will Develop Rice Lands in Arkansas.

IRRIGATION WORK NOW IN PROGRESS

Prominent Marion County Farmers Are Behind the Project, Which Is Promoted by M. Q. Chase—The Rice Lands Purchased Said To Be Very Promising.

Articles of incorporation have been sent to Columbus for the incorporation of the Marion Rice Land company, a project promoted by M. Q. Chase.

The incorporators are W. J. Weir, E. Brown, R. V. Irvin, L. E. Weir and W. P. Irvin and the company is being incorporated with a capital stock of $50,000.

The company recently purchased 480 acres of rice land in the grand prairie of Arkansas. The land is now being equipped with two irrigating plants and a fifty horsepower engine has been purchased of the Huber Manufacturing company to be used in the irrigating work. The lands are located in the vicinity of Stuttgart, which has achieved a great deal of prominence as a rice center. Lands in the district are now said to be yielding seventy-five dollars net each year to the rice raisers.

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THE LODGE WORLD.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Reber, of Girard avenue, very pleasantly entertained the members of the drill team of the Ben Hur lodge and their husbands at their home, Tuesday evening. Mr. Reber is captain of the team.

A pedro contest was a feature of the evening, Mrs. A. J. Lewis winning first prize and Mr. W. B. Spaulding second honors.

After a season of cards, a lunch was served and the time was passed socially.

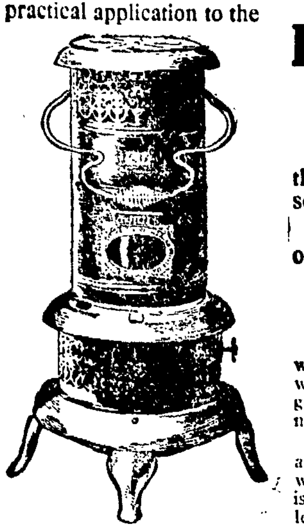
Sosnowski Rebekah lodge held a regular meeting, Tuesday evening, and arranged to install the newly-elected officers the fourth meeting night in January. The next meeting will be held the second Tuesday in January.

Canby Lodge, No. 51, Knights of Pythias, is figuring on renting new quarters and establishing clubrooms. At a meeting, Tuesday evening, J. J. Rudolph, C. H. Conley, William Ballentine, Harry S. Elliott, William Morgenthaler and Charles L. Justice were named as a committee to investigate as to new clubrooms and lodge quarters and report at the next meeting.

The knight rank was conferred on one candidate.

The Ladies of the Maccabees held a regular meeting in their hall, on north Main street, Wednesday afternoon, and completed arrangements to move from the present meeting-place to the hall of Wayside lodge of Odd Fellows on east Center street. Arrangements were also made to install the newly-elected officers the last Thursday in January.

Two candidates were initiated at a regular meeting of the Home Guards, Wednesday evening, and arrangements made to go to Bucyrus, tonight, when the local degree team will initiate a class.



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(Equipped with Smokeless Device)

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The Perfection Oil Heater is the only heater equipped with this

Automatic Smokeless Device

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